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'SPACE WARS' RAISED BY THATCHER

Gorbachev gets U.S. 'invitation'

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

THE PRIME Minister discussed President Reagan's space-based Strategic Defence Initiative last night in a 55-minute meeting with Mr Mikhail Gorbachev, the new Kremlin leader.

The meeting was one of several Mr Gorbachev held with foreign leaders after President Chernenko was buried on Red Square yesterday. Mrs Thatcher also met the American Vice President, Mr Bush, and several other statesmen.

Vice-President Bush said after meeting Mr Gorbachev that President Reagan would be ready for a summit meeting when the Kremlin was. "I brought a letter. I won't discuss its contents but I believe that the President does feel a meeting would be useful," he said.

Mrs Thatcher said after her session with Mr Gorbachev that she still thought, as she said after nearly six hours with him in London last December, that he was someone she liked and could do business with.

"With Mr Gorbachev there is a certain confidence between us," she said. "We can discuss issues fully and frankly. We both understand we cannot convert each other.

"But we have two things in common: We both feel there must never be a conflict between East and West and we must stop nuclear weapons."

She told journalists the subject of arms control dominated their talk. She laid out for Mr Gorbachev her understanding of Mr Reagan's position on the potential development of a strategic defence system, attacked by the Kremlin and others as his "star wars" plan.

'Advantage not sought'

"I emphasised that President Reagan does not see the concept as a way of achieving advantage or superiority over the Soviet Union." Mrs Thatcher told reporters at the British Embassy across the Moscow River from the Kremlin.

Moscow has made blocking the Strategic Defence Initiative its top priority at the new arms talks with the United States in Geneva. Mrs Thatcher said last night there was no way to block research into space-based defensive technology.

She said she reminded Mr Gorbachev that research on anti-missile systems was permitted under the 1972 Soviet-American anti-ballistic missile treaty. Mr Reagan had reaffirmed to her that he accepted the treaty's further provision that any move from the research stage to the deployment stage had to be the subject of negotiation.

"I told Mr Gorbachev that this point was explicitly reaffirmed by President Reagan when I saw in February," the Prime Minister said.

She added that Mr Gorbachev, 54, "took the point very firmly that deployment would require negotiation. But Mrs Thatcher declined to speculate whether the new Soviet chief was sufficiently reassured to drop the fierce propaganda campaign Moscow has been waging against space-defence research by the United States.

She said the West was well aware that Russia was advanced in this kind of research itself.

'Very useful meeting'

Mrs Thatcher said she did not discuss with Mr Gorbachev the possibility of a summit between him and Mr Reagan. She also said she herself had "no plans at the moment" for a full-scale official visit to Moscow.

She said yesterday's meeting provided "very good and useful talks on the major issues confronting the world." She had stressed to Mr Gorbachev Britain's desire that the Geneva arms talks should succeed.

Mrs Thatcher was returning home last night. Earlier she met privately with President Zia of Pakistan, President Machel of Mozambique and the Prime Ministers of Canada, Spain and India. Most of the many foreign dignitaries in Moscow for the Chernenko funeral were engaged in a similar flurry of bilateral talks.

Mrs Thatcher attended President Andropov's funeral 15 months ago. She said last night: "A great deal has happened since I was in Moscow but I now look forward to building a good and frank relationship with Mr Gorbachev, with the aim of achieving a safer and more secure world."

Mr Gorbachev said in his funeral oration that Russia was "doing everything to preserve peace" but would not be dictated to.

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Mrs Thatcher expressing her condolences to Mr Gorbachev in the Kremlin yesterday after President Chernenko's funeral.

VANDALS DAMAGE CHAPEL

By JOHN SHAW

VANDALS have smashed part of a priceless 16th century stained glass window in King's College Chapel, Cambridge, which is visited by thousands of tourists each year.

Four sections were damaged in one of the large windows on the south side of the chapel.

The top half of the windows has scenes from the Old Testament, and the lower half scenes from the New Testament.

Worst damaged is a figure of Naomi portrayed with her daughters from the Book of Ruth. There is also damage to a figure of a messenger and to a scene depicting the Lamentation of Christ.

'Kicked in'

Mr David Smyth, Domus bursar, said: "There are four holes of about six inches by four inches and the damage extends across four sections of one large window.

"The impression is that it has been caused by somebody putting his foot through the glass."

Conservation work on the building, which was endowed by Henry VI, is a continuing process and scaffolding has been erected outside. It is thought the vandals reached the windows by climbing the scaffolding.

The chapel's stained glass is original and is particularly precious because England lost almost all its mediaeval stained glass during the Reformation and the Protectorate.

Specialists are making a report on how best the damage could be repaired.

Other windows in the chapel were damaged in 1981 and later repaired, but this time the damage is thought to be greater. Security is being reviewed.

Henry VI laid the foundation stone of King's College Chapel in July, 1446. Work continued with many interruptions under his successors and Henry VIII (1492-1547) financed the fittings, including the stained glass windows which cost 1s 6d a foot. These were installed by Flemish glaziers and were in place when the building was completed in 1556.

'Busted flush' State oil board to be scrapped

By ROLAND GRIBBEN Business Correspondent

THE Government is to scrap the British National Oil Corporation, the body set up by Labour ten years ago to ensure security of North Sea oil supplies, Mr Buchanan-Smith, Energy Minister, told the Commons yesterday.

He said the corporation—the biggest North Sea oil trader—had lost its ability to act as a stabilising influence on oil prices in a rapidly changing market.

The announcement produced hiatus in oil markets while the 155-strong staff at the corporation's London headquarters were in a state of shock after hearing the decision, only shortly before MPs.

The decision to abolish the corporation was described as "disgraceful and incredible" by Mr Rowlands, Opposition energy spokesman, while Mr Alistair Morton, a key executive in the formation of the corporation, said it was a "crass and shore sighted" move.

But the Government feels that the wind-up will take Britain out of the oil-pricing firing line and effectively end its unofficial membership of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Mr Lawson, Chancellor and Sir Geoffrey Howe, Foreign Secretary were closely involved in the decision because of the implications for sterling and Britain's relations with OPEC countries.

But it was being emphasised that the initiative had come from Mr Walker's Energy Department.

Pressure from OPEC

Britain has been under considerable pressure from OPEC to support its efforts to maintain oil price stability to avoid a free-for-all, and the Government has faced criticism from its own supporters for not allowing market forces to operate.

The disappearance of the corporation means North Sea prices will be in future market-related rather than fixed officially and the Inland Revenue will have to rely on company accounts to assess the Government "take" from offshore profits, estimated to be £13 billion in the 1985-86 tax year.

The corporation, which has set North Sea prices under Government "guidance" has the right to buy 51 per cent. of oil company production, but has lost £65 million in the last six months.

It has been forced to buy at inflated prices in an effort to aid market stability and OPEC, but has lost all its contract customers because they can buy their oil cheaper in the independent spot markets around the world.

Mr Buchanan-Smith told MPs the Government is to create a

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OIL PRICE FEARS HIT £

By CLIFFORD GERMAN
Financial Correspondent

THE Government decision to scrap the British National Oil Corporation caused a slight weakening of sterling on the foreign exchanges yesterday.

Traders jumped to the conclusion that effectively putting a stop to the practice of supporting the official OPEC oil price at the expense of the British taxpayer will exert further downward pressure on official oil prices and indirectly weaken the pound.

Sterling closed at $1·0863, down ½ cent on the day in London after reaching $1·0230. The pound's trade weighted average fell 0·2 to 71·6 per cent.

Intrest rates in the London money market maintained the upward trend from Tuesday afternoon. Three-month deposits in the inter-bank market ended nearly ¼ per cent. higher at 13⅞-14 per cent., effectively closing the door on a cut in bank base rates before the Budget.

The dollar traded within a much narrower range as the recent hectic trading continued to subside. At the close it was less than ½ pfennig higher at 3·3510 marks, and ½ centime up at 10·23 French francs.

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P&O SHAKE-UP

By Our Shipping Correspondent

Dr Rodney Leach, 54, who masterminded the building of the £136 million cruise liner Royal Princess, last night left P & O in a shake-up involving about 25 top managers.

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TENNIS PRIZES UP 32 pc

By DAVID MILLWARD

PRIZE money at this year's Wimbledon tennis championships will total £1,934,760 — an increase of 32 per cent. on last year, largely due to the slump in sterling over the past 12 months.

But Mr R. E. H. "Buzzer" Hadingham, chairman of the All England Club, stressed yesterday that the increase was only ten per cent. when calculated in dollars.

"Nearly 50 per cent. of our total entry is from the United States and we consider it imperative to compensate for the depreciation of sterling," he said.

Champion's £130,000

The men's singles' champion will receive £130,000 this year —£30,000 more than 1984—and the ladies' champion £117,000, an increase of £27,000.

The men's runner-up will get £65,000 and the ladies' £58,500. First-round losers will get £1,750 for the men and £1,350 for the women.

Last year's tournament made a record profit of £4·25 million and with seating capacity on the centre court raised to 12,400 the tournament organisers expect an even better return from this year's championships which run from June 24 to July 7.

John Parsons—P34

HAVERS CLEARS LEWIN IN SECRETS ROW

By Our Political Staff

Admiral of the Fleet, Lord Lewin, former Chief of Defence Staff, is not to be charged under the Official Secrets Act for allegedly disclosing classified information during a BBC broadcast on the Falklands war.

The Attorney-General, Sir Michael Havers, said yesterday: "I have received a report from the Director of Public Prosecutions in the light of investigations made by the Metropolitan Police. No evidence has been forthcoming that Lord Lewin has committed any offence."

It had been alleged by some Labour MPs that Lord Lewin disclosed vital information about the use of the Towed Arrow system during the Falklands conflict during the BBC interview.

ROBIN DAY HOME

Sir Robin Day left hospital yesterday after heart by-pass surgery and is expected to return to his BBC duties as chairman of "Question Time" and presenter of "World at One" in a few weeks.

FAVOURITE OUT

Burrough Hill Lad, ante-post favourite for today's Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup, has been withdrawn because of injury. His intended rider, John Francome switches to the outsider Door Latch.

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Heath still bitter after 10 years

By JAMES WIGHTMAN Political Correspondent

MR HEATH is laying bare the resentment which he has felt towards Mrs Thatcher for 10 years over the way in which she and her MP supporters ousted him as Conservative leader and then marked her triumph with a champagne party.

The former Prime Minister says in a television interview to be broadcast on Saturday that he was hurt when he learned from a newspaper report that Mrs Thatcher was to stand again him after the two General Election defeats of 1974.

He also criticised the Thatcher campaign team for making "grossly untrue" statements attributed to him at the time.

But he was more upset, he said, when the newly-elected leader and her colleagues celebrated with champagne — something which Reggie Maudling and Enoch Powell and I would never have dreamt of for a moment."

Different attitude

Then, implying that the leadership change on February 11, 1975, had been the start of a decline in the style of the Conservative party, he added: "No, it's an indication of the different attitude, right from the very beginnings."

His remarks, in a documentary to be shown on Channel 4, were criticised last night by some of the MPs who helped Mrs Thatcher to become party leader.

Some accused him of rewriting history.

Mrs Thatcher's campaign was run by the late Mr Airey Neave, who was assassinated by a car bomb planted by Irish terrorists and which exploded as he was driving out of the Westminster underground car park in 1979 shortly before Mrs Thatcher became Prime Minister.

Another member of the campaign team, Mr Kenneth Warren, MP for Hastings and Rye, said last night: "I can assure you that Airey Neave was a man who practised the highest principles in the conduct of the campaign."

He added: "It is a great pity that Mr Heath, who rendered valuable service to this country, has forgotten in ten years since then that the mood of the majority was in favour of a change and was in favour of

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ELECTRICITY PRICES UP BY 4·2pc

Our Business Correspondent

ELECTRICITY tariffs are to rise by an average 4·2 per cent. next month. Increases range from under three per cent. for London to around five per cent. in other parts of Britain.

The rises are in line with forecasts made by the industry after the agreement with the Government on new financing limits for 1985-86 but take no account of a "Scargill surcharge."

The Electricity Council, the industry's umbrella body, has made it clear to Mr Walker, Energy Secretary, that the huge cost of the coal strike should be borne by the taxpayer and not the consumer.

It wants changes in its financial targets to avoid passing on a sizeable rise in tariffs to customers.

Mr Walker supports the industry's arguments although Ministers are still debating how the bill should be met.

ROYAL PETRA TOUR

The Prince and Princess of Wales, who are on a private visit to Jordan, were shown round Petra yesterday by King Hussein and Queen Noor. The site was closed to the public during the visit.—A P.

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DEADLOCK IN BANK PAY ROW

By Our Industrial Staff

Talks at the conciliation service Acas failed yesterday to break the deadlock in this year's pay negotiations for 240,000 staff at the High Street banks.

Leaders of the Clearing Bank Union and the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union, said later that they would consider recommending industrial action. They have rejected a 5½ per cent. pay offer and the employers have declined to allow their £20-a-week claim to go to independent binding arbitration.

COLLEGE PICKS BREWSTER

By Our Education Correspondent

Dr Kingman Brewster, 65, American ambassador to Britain from 1977 to 1981 is to be Master of University College, Oxford, in succession of Lord Goodman, 71, who retires next year after ten years in the post.

Dr Brewster, an anglophile lawyer and former president of Yale, was chosen by the college's fellows yesterday.

'THOUSANDS DIE' IN GULF BATTLE

Iraq said yesterday that the Hawizah marshes on the southern front in the Gulf War were "filled with thousands of Iranian corpses" as Iraqis counter-attacked in one of the war's fiercest battles.

Tehran claimed that it had killed 700 enemy, and that Iraq was using chemical weapons.—Reuter.

ISRAELI AIR RAID

By Our Staff Correspondent in Beirut

Two Israeli F-15 jets yesterday bombed Palestinian guerrilla bases in the Syrian occupied Bekaa Valley in Lebanon.

Fears for fate of 200 missing men—P4

£188m RENT OWED

By Our Political Staff

Council house rent arrears in England and Wales have reached £188 million, an increase of £12 million since last year, Mr Gow, Minister for Housing, disclosed in a Commons written reply yesterday. The situation was particularly serious in London and the Metropolitan areas.

AIR CRASH KILLS 12

An American Army helicopter on a routine training mission crashed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, yesterday killing all 12 passengers and crew.—A P.

Today's Weather

GENERAL SITUATION: Cold N.W. airstream covers British Isles.

LONDON, S.E. & CENT. S. ENGLAND, E. ANGLIA, MIDLANDS: Sunny spells, scattered showers developing. Winds N.W., light or mod. Max. 48F (9C).

E. ENGLAND: Sunny spells, scattered showers, wintry in places. Winds N.W. mod. or fresh. 45F (7C).

S.W. ENGLAND, S. WALES: Sunny spells, showers. Winds N.W., mod. or fresh. 48F (9C).

S. NORTH SEA, STRAIT OF DOVER, ENG. CH. (E.): Winds N.W. 4 to 5. Sea mod.

ST GEORGE'S CH., IRISH SEA: Winds N.W. 4 to 5, becoming 6-7. Mod. becoming rough.

OUTLOOK: Colder. Sunny spells, snow showers.

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Reagan seeks Summit 'when we can'

By RICHARD BEESTON in Washington

PRESIDENT REAGAN has invited Mr Gorbachev, the new Soviet leader, to the first superpower summit in six years and has indicated that he would prefer to host the meeting in the United States.

American officials said the invitation was being delivered in Moscow to Mr Gorbachev by Vice-President George Bush and while stating Mr Reagan's preference did not exclude the possibility of the meeting being in Moscow or a third country.

The invitation does not specify any conditions nor does it propose a date. Earlier Mr Reagan stated that he looked forward to a meeting "whenever we can."

Mr Larry Speakes, the White House spokesman, pointed out that American Presidents in recent years had travelled three times to the Soviet Union and once to neutral sites while the last Russian visit to the United States was by President Gorbachev in 1973.

He said there is no reason for "summit fever" one official said, adding that any meeting with Mr Gorbachev "may be in our mutual interest."

Mr Reagan is the only American President in half a century not to have held a meeting with his Soviet counterpart and this is becoming something of a sensitive issue in Washington.

But he has pointed out that ill health shared by Mr Gorbachev's three predecessors had been a factor in the failure of the two sides to arrange a summit.

The former Secretary of State, Dr Henry Kissinger, said after a private lunch with President Reagan that he expected a Summit "in due course" because the President was concerned about a fundamental change in international tensions.

But Dr Kissinger said a summit was not an end in itself and he agreed with Mr Reagan that a simple get-acquainted session was not the answer.

"I don't think foreign policy is a psychiatric exercise, to meet each other is not as important as having an agenda for discussion," he said.

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'DOMESDAY' INQUIRY INTO DRUG ABUSE

By ANTHONY LOOCH

THE Government is attempting to draw up a "Domesday Book" of the extent of drug abuse, Mr Patten, undre-Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, told the Commons Social Services Select Committee yesterday.

The primary aim of the campaign was to prevent people from going on to drugs. It hopes to publish the book next month.

"In view of the cost of treatment, and the sad fact that only one in three people addicted to heroin stays off it for a substantial period, it would be wrong for any Government not to attempt to prevent people from getting onto drugs in the first place," he said.

At present the Government did not know whether the £10 million it had allocated over three years to combat the problem was adequate, because it did not yet know enough about the scale of the problem.

He conceded that a number of general practitioners were not very interested in treating drug abusers because they regarded the problem as a self-inflicted wound, but he said he did not agree with their view.

Clear picture

Mr Patten said the "Domesday Book," which was being compiled as a result of consultation with district health authorities, was the first attempt to get a clear picture of the scale of the problem.

At present he could not give a reliable indication of its size, but there were at least 50,000 known heroin addicts in Britain.

Mrs Renee Short (Lab. Wolverhampton NE) committees chairman, said that as a result of its investigations, the committee believed that drug abuse was "an epidemic".

She added, "It is spreading like a forest fire among the young, which is most disturbing" She also questioned whether the Government was providing adequate resources to deal with the problem.

Mr Paten replied that he would not agree with the use of words like "epidemic" and "forest fire". A formidable amount of work had gone into the Government's recently launched national publicity campaign against drug abuse.

WHITEHALL DISRUPTION IN PROSPECT

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

THE Government's pay offer for its 520,000 white-collar civil servants, expected today, may trigger plans for a national campaign of strikes and other disruptive actions.

The six main Whitehall unions have already planned their protest strategies, facing up to the likelihood that the offer is unlikely to come anywhere near their demands.

These are for £15-a-week in respect of the lower paid and 15 per cent. for the rest. The Government has indicated a three per cent. marker and recent public-sector awards have all been around four or five per cent.

The four lower-grade unions are already going ahead with strike ballots in readiness for a confrontation. They are the Civil and Public Services Association, the Society of Civil and Public Servants, the Inland Revenue Staff Federation and the Civil Service Union.

Career threat

The unions are angry at Ministerial warnings that the careers of senior civil servants, from higher executive officer and above, could be hampered by joining industrial action.

They see it as a move to intimidate a substantial section of their membership and to ensure that, in the event of an all-out stoppage, enough management-level employees remain at their desks to keep the system "ticking over" for a period.

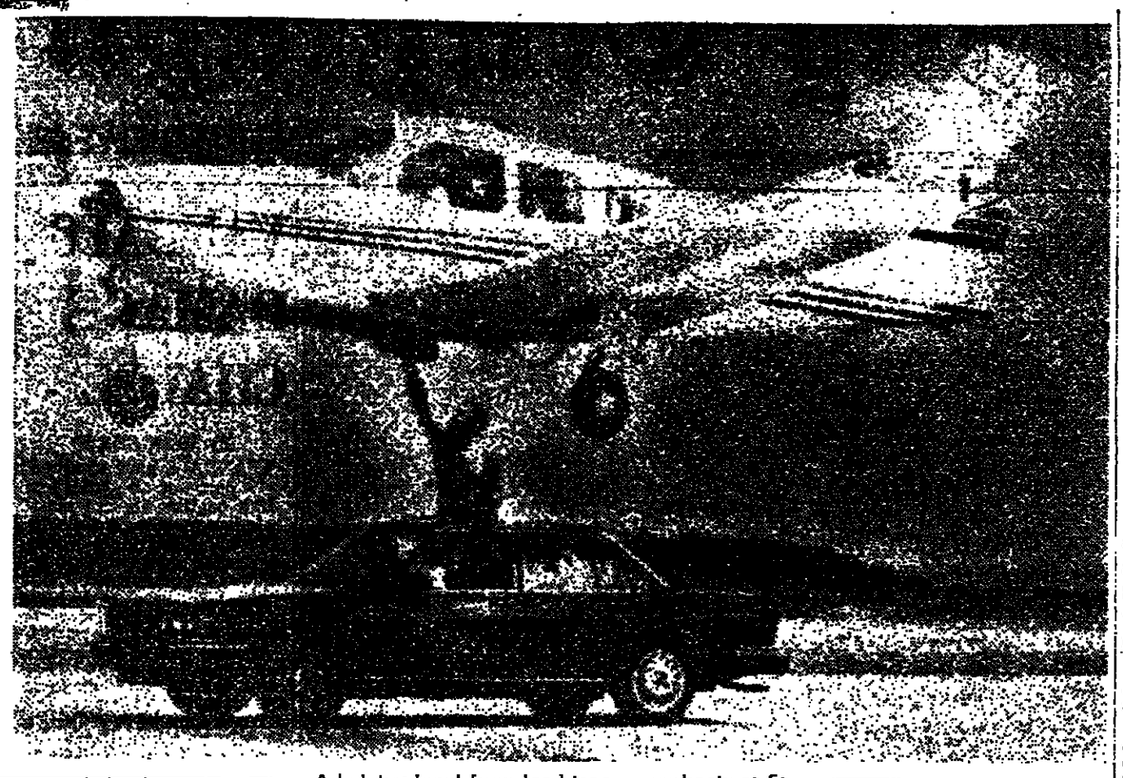
The 29-man executive of the First Division Association, the so-called mandarins' union whose members have most to lose, is to meet tomorrow to discuss what recommendation it should make.

MOSCOW CIRCUS

The Moscow State Circus is to give four performances at Nottingham's new Royal Concert Hall in August — its first visit to Britain for a decade. The two-hour, non-animal show includes top clowns, jugglers and gymnasts.

HUNTING TEST CASE ENDS

The 12-day test case in which the League Against Cruel Sports seeks nominal damages and an injunction banning the Devon and Somerset Stag Hounds from Exmoor wildlife sanctuaries, ended at the High Court in Bristol yesterday with Mr Justice Park reserving judgment.



A helping hand from Joe Lippo, a mechanic at St Augustine airport, Florida, as he pulls free a jammed plane wheel while standing in a car travelling at 90mph to enable the aircraft to land. Jim Moser, an airport worker, drove the car in the rescue operation, launched after a radio call fro mthe pilot, Scott Gordon.

REPRIEVED SHIPYARD FOUNDERS

By JOHN PETTY Shipping Correspondent

A RESCUER is being sought to avert collapse by this weekend of Readheads ship repair yard on the Tyne, which workers leased by pooling their redundancy pay when British Shipbuilders closed it in 1982.

Mrs Thatcher and Mr Lamont industry minister, both praised the business as an example of how privatisation could succeed when work flowed in initially. But work will run out tomorrow and there are debts of more than £250,000.

Shipyard leaders went to see Mr Lamont this week to seek financial guarantees of £400,000 but he told them there could be no state aid.

Readheads will now have to go into liquidation and the yard will revert to British Shipbuilders, said Mr John Lowes, a worker-director who saw Mr Lamont.

The yard at South Shields has repaired 99 ships since 80 workers pooled £110,000 in redundancy pay to keep it going. It now has about 70 employees, but at times has provided work for 200 by taking on casuals.

PEER'S £11,422

Lord Cameron of Balhousie, a former Marshal of the Royal Air Force and Chief of Defence Staff from 1977 to 1979, who died last January, aged 64, left £11,422 net (£13,227 gross) in his will published yesterday.

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Move to thwart Labour curb on coal delivery

By JOHN PETTY Transport Correspondent

GOVERNMENT intervention is being sought to thwart a Labour council's ban on coal deliveries to a power station being switched from rail to canal barges in the wake of the pit strike.

Battles are also looming in other Labour-controlled areas, with councillors hoping to enforce old planning regulations to ensure coal deliveries go by train instead of by road, as during the strike.

British Waterways Board has won a contract to move 500,000 tons of coal a year from the Selby pit of the National Coal Board to the Thorpe Marsh power station near Doncaster.

Extra jobs

This is part of a deliberate policy of the Central Electricity Generating Board to be less dependent on train deliveries. It remains angry because a handful of railwaymen were able to prevent normal train deliveries of coal even in areas where miners worked normally.

The CEGB is the biggest customer for both British Rail and the Coal Board. In talks with British Rail it is insisting on a guarantee that deliveries will be reliable in future.

Deliveries to Thorpe Marsh used to be by train from local pits in South Yorkshire. Moving it by canal would create an extra 90 jobs on the waterways, but a final short stretch from a wharf to the power station involves moving the coal by road.

The Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council has refused planning permission for the track from the wharf to be upgraded for the coal deal. It added that the project would "endanger job prospects in the rail and mining industries in South Yorkshire."

The Waterways Board is to appeal to Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, who has power to overturn the council's ruling.

Heavy lorries

In other areas, including Nottinghamshire, Labour councils point out that many power stations were built with a planning proviso that all coal be moved by rail. Switching to lorries during the strike has caused severe road damage and intense nuisance to local people, they say.

The Government has admitted that convoys of heavy lorries, which replaced trainloads, have damaged the M4 motorway east of Newport. Major repairs are needed between Junctions 22 and 24. They will start in May.

But the Welsh Office said it was impossible "to isolate the effects" of the coal traffic since this part of the M4 was nearing the end of its "design life and would have been due for renewal. The life of the road surface might have been "reduced by two per cent." as a result of the coal convoys.

The CEGB also wants to move more coal by sea from the north-east pits to the power stations of the south-east. It is having a series of new colliers built at Govan Shipbuilders. These will reduce transport costs by £2-a-ton compared with older smaller colliers now in use.

JUDGE BARS NUM SACKING

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

A HIGH Court judge yesterday ordered the reinstatement of Mr Henry Richardson, the general secretary of the National Union of Mineworkers in Nottinghamshire, who was sacked on Monday by his area executive.

Mr Richarrdson, at loggerheads with the executive over his support for the strike, was granted an injunction by Mr JUSTICE STEYN.

It prevents the predominently anti-strike local leadership from implementing its dismissal decision until the trial of Mr Richardson's own action disputing the legality of the move.

He is proposing to seek permanent injunctions protecting his right to remain an area general secretary, area agent and a full-time official of the union.

45-minute hearing

The court order, delivered after a 45-minute hearing in London, was directed against Mr ROY LYNK, the Nottinghamshire area finance officer, who has been acting as general secretary since the sacking, and executive members DAVID PRENDERGAST, JOHN ALLEN and JOHN ALLSOPP. The Area NUM itself was also named.

Mr Richardson was sacked for distributing national union documents warning about the consequences of the area breaking away from the NUM. He was accused of gross misconduct but the union president, Mr Arthur Scargill, has persistently refused to accept Mr Richardson's removal.

After the hearing, Mr Richardson said he viewed the move to dismiss him as "a purely vindictive act."

He intends to continue working from a temporary office in Mansfield, near the union's area headquarters, which he has been using since mid-January when he was initially suspended from his union post.

The Nottinghamshire Area NUM and its officers were given leave to apply to discharge the injunction.

876 printing jobs to go at Thomson Manchester plant

By MAURICE WEAVER Industrial Staff

THOMSON Withy Grove, which contract-prints northern editions of four national newspapers, including THE DAILY TELEGRAPH, in Manchester, has told the four production unions that it is proposing to make 876 workers, nearly half its workforce, redundant by the end of the year.

The news comes exactly a year after the company announced that it was terminating its contracts with the newspaper managements.

Its hope was to renegotiate them on a more favourable financial basis.

But now Mr George Dunn, chairman and chief executive of Thomson Withy Grove—a subsidiary of the International Thomson organisation — says this has proved largely unobtainable. Two of the three publishing companies involved are making other arrangements and work on printing their titles will be lost.

THE DAILY TELEGRAPH, whose contract at Withy Grove runs out on Dec. 31 is to open its own new northern printing plant, built at a cost of £20 million on Manchester's Trafford Park industrial estate, on Jan. 1.

The NEWS OF THE WORLD, whose contract expires on Oct. 21, has also indicated that it will not be renewing. The TWG paper states, however, that it is "currently foreseen" that the printing of Mirror Group Newspapers titles (the MIRROR) will continue after the termination o fthose contracts at the end of this year.

In the planned timetable of dismissals from the Manchester printing plant, once reputed to be Europe's largest, 329 Thomson employees are to go by Oct. 21 and the remaining 547 by Dec. 31.

These will include 469 members of Sogat 82, 307 of the National Graphical Association, 29 from the engineering union (AUEW) and 22 from the electricians' union (EETPU). In addition the company says it must shed 49 jobs listed as "managerial and technical."

In his letter to the union leaders, Mr Dunn says the announcment is intended to kill "speculation and apprehension" about the workforce's future.

He goes on: "It is TWG's desire to treat openly with the situation and to lay the facts before the people most concerned by the changes which will take place at the end of 1985 when two contracts for printing newspapers will terminate and when it is anticipated that TWG may change ownership."

Outlining the company's problems, Mr Dunn says it has suffered cumulative losses since 1975 of £5,700,000. The Manchester subsidiary was indebted to the International Thomson Organisation by £9,400,000 at the end of 1984.

The loss-making publishing activities of the company were terminated in 1985—the year it closed the SPORTING CHRONICLE. "Since that date the company has had no other business other than the printing under contract of newspapers owned by other companies."

Renegotiation of those printing contracts had become essential if the company was to be made viable. "It now appears that no extension or renewal of either contract with THE DAILY TELEGRAPH or the NEWS OF THE WORLD will be entered into and the number of staff it is proposed to make redundant in 1985 is the number allocated to the performance of those two contracts."

Thomson has told the unions that selection of employees for redundancy will be made in a "fair and orderly" manner, partly on a "last in, first out" basis but also taking into account such factors as alternative employment opportunities, imminent retirement and periods of prolonged absence.

'Jobs must stay'

The announcement met a sharp reaction from the unions, however. Miss Brenda Dean, general-secretary-elect of Sogat 82, said: "We are not prepared to accept the losses."

Miss Dean, who was until senior officer in Manchester, said Sogat would be prepared to discuss acceptance of new production methods, but would insist that the displaced workers be taken on by the newspapers which continued printing in the city.

"If these jobs are allowed to go it will be the thick end of the wedge for Manchester," she said.

Mr Dunn is expected to meet trade union officials to discuss the redundancy requirementes in detail. He said the Employment Secretary, Mr King, had been informed of the company's decision.

Mr Dunn's reference to an "anticipated change of ownership" at the Withy Grove plant indicates that take-over negotiations are still be pursued by Mr Robert Maxwell's Mirror Group Newspapers. These have been in progress for many months.

Hattersley unveils alternative budget

By NICHOLAS COMFORT Political Staff

MR Roy Haatersley, Deputy Labour Leader and Shadow Chancellor, yesterday unveiled an unachamedly socialist "alternative budget" based on spending programmes to combat unemployment and a return to "penal" taxation of the very rich to finance a drive against poverty.

He estimated that the package could create 270,000 new jobs in the first year without forcing up interest rates or the level of inflation, and that although tax thresholds would not be raised, a million of the lower-paid would be freed of the burden of National Insurance contributions.

The proposals set out by Mr Hattersley to the Parliamentary Labour party yestehday stem from a decision by the Shadow Cabinet to concentrate on promoting a strategy of its own rather than simply re-acting to what the Chancellor announces on Tuesday.

From Labour's point of view, the first essential is the proposal to keep public spending at its current £10,500 million, instead of cutting it by one-third as the Chancellor proposes.

The £3,500 million concerned, together withthe further £1,500 million Mr Lawson has earmarked for relaxations, would go on spending programmes to create jobs — half on short-term schemes to have immediate effect, and the remainder on capital projects

Most controversial aspect of his package is the "anti-poverty" section, which involves the allocation of £2,825 million to raise Child Benefit by £3 a week, the pension by £5 for a single person and £8 for a married couple, and creation of a long-term Supplementary Benefit for the long-term unemployed.

Lower tax rate

His package took away from the richest five per cent. the benefits given to them in successive Budgets since 1979—reductions in Capital Gains and Capital Transfer Taxes, the abolition of the investment income surcharge and reduction in top tax rates.

These last had brought the maximum tax rate on investment income down from 98 to 60 per cent.

Mr Hattersely's third proposal is to abolish National Insurance contributions for the lowest paid, instead of raising the tax threshold for them as Mr Lawson has hinted. This would be finnaced by continuing to graduate contributions for those paid more than £265 a wek, who now pay no extra.

Thatcher rules out exchange controls

By OUR POLITICAL STAFF

THE Prime Minister stressed the need yesterday for Britain to develop a "sound and coherent" response in its own policies to the problems caused by America's economic revival and its effect on the value of the pound.

Mrs Thatcher said that it was as important for Britain to learn from what was admirable in the policies being followed in Washington as well as to press for changes where they caused difficulty.

And she specifically ruled out the reimposition of exchange controls as a "retrograde" step which would not prevent the dollar rising but would leave America free to impose damaging measures of its own, such as an import surcharge.

She set out this detailed attitude to the strains imposed on currency markets by the size of the American budget deficit in a letter to Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson, Conservative MP for the New Forest, which was dated yesterday but which she signed before leaving for Moscow.

Reply to letter

The Prime Minister was replying to a letter Mr McNair-Wilson wrote her after her visit to Washington last month, in which he argued, as he has done publicly, for the reimposition of exchange controls to halt the slide in the value of the pound and the outflow of investment funds.

"I believe that part of the strength of the dollar, which has manifested itself against all currencies, reflects the strength and enterprise of the American economy itself," she wrote.

"But of course a major part of the explanation is also the United States budget deficit and the interest rates needed to finance it. The President accepts that he must get the deficit down.

"In recent days I am sure that you will have read the series of statements by the chairman of the Federal Reserve system, Paul Volcker, to whom I also talked in Washington, that budgetary and trade deficits of the magnitude the United States have been running are simply not sustainable indefinitely.

"I pick out these two elements of the problem because it seems to me important to identify what is admirable in the U.S. economy, and where we in Europe have much to learn from them.

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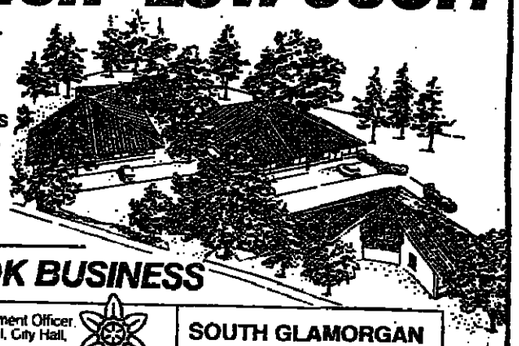

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THYSSEN WANTS £71m JEWELS FROM EX-WIFE

By HEATHER MILLS

BARON Heini Von Thyssen, one of the world's richest men, is asking the High Court to order his ex wife to hand back her £460,000 engagement ring and other jewellery worth an estimated £71 million.

He claims the ring was an investment, and should be returned now that the couple's 17-year marriage is over. The 44-year-old, Brazilian-born baroness divorced him in November because of his adultery with a former Spanish beauty queen.

And yesterday she asked three Appeal Court judges to order him to reveal exactly how wealthy he is in order to assess her divorce settlement.

Her counsel Mr THOMAS BAKER Q.C. said the baron had estimated his total wealth as "in the range of 400 million to 1,200 million" without specifying dollars or pounds.

He reckoned his income at around £10 million a year, said Mr Baker.

The baroness, who now lives is Zurich, sat in court in a black suit and royal blue silk blouse, with her cascade of blonde hair held back off her face with a blue headband. She wore a string of pearls and ruby and diamond earings.

Her 63-year-old ex-husband was not there.

Baron Heini Von Thyssen: £71 million claim.

Five-week case

She was appealing against a decision by Mr Justice EASTHAM who granted her divorce in the High Court but who refused to order the baron to answer detailed questions about his finances.

A five-week High Court hearing is scheduled for later in the year to decide how much of the Thyssen steel millions she should get.

Mr Baker told Family Division President Sir John Arnold, Lord Justice Garrihus and Sir Denis Cokes that part of the end-of-marriage dispute involves diamonds, emeralds, rubies, sapphires and pearls which the baron claims she has.

Eight pieces are valued at £20,784,000. Other jewellery bought for investment is valued at £11,536,000. He says the baroness may keep 124 other pieces valued at £4 million.

Fifth Avenue flat

The baroness claims "it is all hers and has been given to her," said Mr Baker.

The baron also wants back a flat worth £4 million in Fifth Avenue, New York, and several objets d'art, paintings, silver and other items he claims she took from their Chester Square home in Belgravia.

The baroness for her part is seeking financial provision for herself and their 10-year-old son, Alexander, who lives with her.

Mr Baker said the couple are both Swiss citizens, and under Swiss law had they remained married and the baroness had outlived the baron — which was likely, given their age disparity — she would have inherited at least a quarter of his fortune, or a life interest in half.

Need for compensation

The divorce meant she lost that entitlement, so she has to be compensated for it, which is why it is essential she knows the full extent of the baron's wealth.

She had wanted her divorce heard in Switzerland where she would have expected a bigger share of his fortune, but she failed last year in the Appeal Court to have the hearing switched from England to Switzerland.

The four - times - married baron's business interests include chairmanship of Heineken and a number of German banks. In addition to the Manhattan apartment he has a villa in Jamaica and a £2 million Gloucestershire estate, Daylesford.

The hearing was adjourned until today.

Baroness Denise Thyssen after attending yesterday's Appeal Court hearing.

'Champagne life' solicitor jailed for £200,000 fraud

By IAN HENRY Old Bailey Correspondent

A FORMER England hockey international who used money from his law firm's clients' fund to help a friend who had been in prison was himself jailed for three years at the Old Bailey yesterday.

JAMES NEALE, 39, a former solicitor and once captain of Britain's leading hockey club, took more than £200,000 from the clients' fund after being captivated by the charm and plausible manner of a car dealer, LESLIE CAIRNS.

Cairns, 58, nicknamed Champagne Charlie because of his love of the high-life, planned to make a fortune from buying and selling Rolls-Royces, Aston Martins, Ferraris and Bentleys.

Neale, 39, married to a former beauty queen, had acted for Cairns when Cairns was jailed for a car theft.

On Cairns's release, Neale agreed to finance Cairns's business plans and a huge "money-go-round" was set up with Neale's clients' money ending up with a property dealer.

'Disgrace to profession'

The high-life for both men came to and end at the Old Bailey yesterday when they were both jailed for fraud.

Neale, of Chitts Hill, Colchester, pleaded guilty to six charges of theft, deception and forgery.

Cairns, of Hague Street, Glossop, Derbyshire, admitted theft and deception and was jailed for nine months.

Judge JOHN HAZAN, Q.C. told Neale he had brought disgrace on the legal profession.

The court was told that an £800,000 civil action was being taken against the property dealer, MICHAEL LUCAS, 57, of Loamy Hill Road, Tiptree, Essex, to reclaim money which Cairns had obtained from Neale's firm.

Mr PETER BEAUMONT, prosecuting, said Neale had gained advances from banks by pretending clients needed bridging loans for mortgages.

He enabled Cairns to obtain an Aston Martin worth £45,000 by arranging a lease agreement and Cairns obtained other cars by various deceptions.

In a previous trial Cairns was cleared of gaining £295,000 by false loan facilities from Lloyds Bank in Colchester.

Mr MICHAEL CORKERY, Q.C. defending said Cairns had since given up his £50-a-day champagne lunches and had joined his brother-in-law in a coal mining venture.

Mr MIHATT WOOD, for Neale, said he was aware that Cairns had served a prison sentence, but had wanted to give him a new chance.

He was taken in by Cairns's powers of persuasion and believed the money would be repaid. He had received none of the money for himself.

As a result of his association with Cairns, Neale's law firm crashed with debts of £1·3 million and he was struck off the solicitors' roll by the Law Society for "reckless misuse of clients' funds."

It is reputed the collapse cost every solicitor in England and Wales a £50 levy.

The charge was made on the 37,000 practising solicitors because there was not enough money in the Law Society's compensation fund to repay Neale's clients.

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Mystery of who hired flower seller's killer

A 51-YEAR-OLD flower seller shot dead at Earl's Court in October was murdered by a contract killer, an inquest was told yesterday. But it is "a real mystery" who took out the contract.

JOHN MAILE, 31, was shot twice in the head with a ·38 revolver by a hit-man hiding in the lock-up garages where he stored his flower barrow.

The padlock had been snapped with bolt cutters, and Mr Maile was shot when he returned with the barrow on the evening of Sunday, Oct. 7, after his day's work outside Earls Court tube station.

Yesterday Det. Chief Insp. MICHAEL ANDERSON told the Westminster inquest:

"This was professional work, a contract killing. It was the conclusion that we came to very early on in the investigation.

Irish friends

"The way in which the bullets were fired at close range, the fact that the weapon was in fairly new condition and also that the padlock on the garage had been cut off with bolt-cutters early on led us to believe that this had been quite carefully planned.

Some 550 people had been interviewed in the hunt for the killer. Detectives found that Mr Maile, married for five years, had left home earlier last summer for three weeks and shared a flat with a man who had Irish friends.

"We were disturbed to find that one of the friends had previous convictions and was suspected of having links with political organisations, and we were considering that he might have overheard, or become aware of, some information which was of a danger to a group of people. Nothing has been corroborated," said Det. Chief Insp. Anderson.

Mr Maile, of Baron's Court Road, Hammersmith, had struck up "an intense relationship" with a 22-year-old American girl who was in Europe touring with her grandmother. But inquiries in New York showed that the family had no criminal connections.

No informer

"I can say categorically that all inquiries show that John Maile was not a police informer," said Det. Chief Insp. Anderson.

In 1980, when gangland leader Charlie Richardson was arrested after he had escaped from prison, Mr Maile was a witness.

"We looked at that in some depth, and we know that Mr Richardson is fully aware of how he came to be arrested, and he knows that it is not attributed to John Maile," said the inspector.

Verdict: Unlawful killing.

CLERGYMAN FACES TRIAL

A Church of England clergyman was yesterday sent for trial at Portsmouth Crown Court on 10 charges including gross indecency.

The Rev. Michael Gover, 43, of Twyford Avenue, Stamshaw, Portsmouth, faces six charges of assault causing actual bodily harm, three charges of indecent assault and one of gross indecency. He was granted unconditional bail by the city's magistrates.

'Web of lies' alleged over Baby Louise

THE parents of Louise Brown spun "a web of lies and deception" about the Downs Syndrome baby's disappearance, Mr Roy Amlot, prosecuting, told the Old Bailey yestertday.

In his closing speech he told the jury of six men and six women they had to "light their way through to the truth."

But Mr John Mathew, Q.C. defending, maintained that on the evidence put forward by the prosecution the jury could not possibly point the finger of guilt at Paul Brown, the baby's father, as the murderer.

It is alleged that Brown, 30, a roofing contractor, killed Louise in a drunken rage last May and then buried her body near the beach at Brighton.

The following day, Brown kidnapped after his car was stolen outside a south London newsagent's shop. A wide search was carried out by police but the child's body has never been found.

Brown, of Tierney Road, Streatham, has denied murder but he did not give evidence.

Brown, Susan Pullen, 30, his "common - law" wife, his brother Ian and his wife, Brenda Brown, all deny conspiracy to pervert the course of justice by making false statements to conceal the baby's death.

Ian Brown, 33, a builder, of Streatham Common North has further denied helping his brother by concealing Louise's body.

The trial was adjourned until today.

'RACKET' IN RAILWAY SLEEPERS

RAILMEN bought railway sleepers worth £5 each for only £3 a ton, the price of useless firewood, and sold them to farmers and haulage contractors for £100 a ton, Mr Guy Boney, prosecuting, said at Taunton Crown Court yesterday.

He claimed that when questioned by British Transport Police the men said the fiddle had been going on for years and that it was a perk. One man had sold sleepers over three years for more than £6,000 for which he had paid British Rail £300.

"That's not a perk, by anyone's standards. That's roaring dishonesty," Mr Boney said. He claimed the racket at British Rail Fairwater Pre-Assembly depot in Taunton had been going on possibly since the 1970s.

18 charges

Staff at the depot, which broke up lengths of track, bought sound and useable sleepers at £5 a ton, the price paid for broken ones, Mr Boney said.

Six men pleaded not guilty to a total of 18 charges. Anthony Anthony Chanter, 52, a supervisor of Dorchester Road, Taunton, denies five charges of false accounting.

John Blasdale, 31, a trackman of Ilton, near Taunton, Maurice Burges, 48, a signalman of North Newton, near Taunton, William Kearley, 54, a storeman of Draycott Avenue, Taunton, Patrick Potter, 42, a relief track machineman, of Durston Way, Taunton, and Alexander Wide, 57, a track machineman, of Greenbrook Terrace, Taunton, deny stealing a total of 536 sleepers between November 1981 and July 1983.

The case, which is expected to last a fortnight, was adjourned until today.

'PRIVATE EYE' BANNED BY NEWSAGENT

By Our Legal Correspondent

John Menzies, the newsagent, has refused to distribute a revised version of the latest PRIVATE EYE magazine featuring Mr Cecil Parkinson, the former Conservative party chairman, on its cover. Copies of the original issue were withdrawn last week after Mr Parkinson and his Commons secretary, Mrs Angela Mathew, obtained High Court injunctions alleging libel.

The revised version carries a blank space inside and a cover picture of Mr Parkinson in jovial mood and calling to Mrs Thatcher. A band across the cover states: "All references to Parkinson removed."

A spokesman for John Menzies said it had refused to handle the revised issue on legal advice from lawyers. In contrast, W. H. Smith, who only recently resumed stocking PRIVATE EYE, are selling the revised version.

10 YEARS FOR 'COMPUTER DATING' RAPIST

A rapist who forced a woman he met through a computer dating agency to have sexual intercourse with him six times at a lonely mountain spot after taking a pill to improve his performance was yesterday jailed for 10 years at Cardiff Crown Court.

Adrian Austin, 30, a factory worker, of Grove Villa, Rhymney, Mid Glamorgan, threatened his twenty-seven-year-old victim with a screwdriver for two hours while he forced her to strip and have oral sex and intercourse in his car at Powys.

Austin, who had denied rape, was jailed for six years for rape and four years for attempted rape of a 25-year-old woman.

GAS LEAK CAUSED CHURCH BLAST

A gas leak caused the explosion at St Mary's Church, presbytery which killed a Roman Catholic priest and his housekeeper, police said yesterday.

Police said a workman unwittingly may have caused the build-up of gas. Those killed were Father Cannell Harkin, 55, and Miss Nora Wood, 69.

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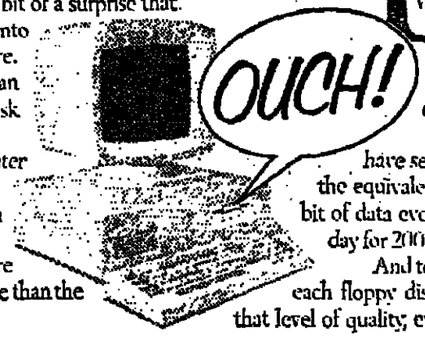

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SOUTH AFRICAN FIRMS PRESS FOR REFORM

By CHRISTOPHER MUNNION in Johannesburg

THE South African Government came under increasing pressure yesterday from the country's business leaders to speed up the process of reform and to dismantle apartheid policies.

Strong warnings of increased isolation came from leaders of the independent lobby organisation, the South African Foundation, as Pretoria digested the fact that, for the first time, the Reagan Administration had voted with the United Nations Security Council in condemning its domestic policies.

The United Nations resolution, in itself, was described as "routine."

It condemned South Africa for the deaths at the Crossroads squatter camp in Cape Town during last month's riots and for the arrests of non-white leaders, and it called for the release of Mr Nelson Mandela, leader of the African National Congress.

White House impact

The American support for the resolution added to the growing concern felt in Government circles that the campaign in the United States for disinvestment in the South African economy is having an impact at the White House.

Mr Pik Botha, the Foreign Minister, articulated these fears in a series of statements when he conceded that the disinvestment campaign could lead to "significant economic damage, including the loss of jobs, and hit hard all the countries in the region."

He regretted that the United States, Britain, and other Western countries had supported at the United Nations other nations promoting violence and revolution in South Africa.

Mr Botha said the "misplaced and perverse" sense of justice and humanity being displayed by the American people who advocated disinvestment would lead to famine and degradation for millions of blacks.

"We Africans face a harsh reality which is too little understood in the United Nations," he said. "This is the reality of the first of all human freedoms, freedom from want and famine. Destroy a job, and you take away a family's food."

The Foreign Minister said the Government was taking disinvestment threats seriously and was doing all it could to contain and defeat them.

"We have faced this threat before," he said. "We beat the oil embargo. We beat the arms embargo. With the country's help we will beat this threat."

Mr Botha added a characteristic warning that any form of sanctions imposed on South Africa would have an adverse effect on many black nations in the region. He disclosed that South Africa had clandestine trading relations with all but four of the countries in the whole of Africa.

At the annual general meeting of the South African Foundation, which is supported by most of the large industrial corporations in the country, there were unequivocal calls for the immediate scrapping of apartheid.

Mr Peter Sorour, the director-general, said there was a concensus of opinion among businessmen that several of the most objectionable facets of apartheid could be scrapped immediately without serious consequence.

Pressure continues

Mr Ted Pavitt, a leading industrialist and president of the foundation, said that pressure to force change would continue to escalate until all policies and laws based on racial discrimination were removed.

Mr Pavitt said: "For too long South Africa has aken the goodwill and co-operation of its friends abroad for granted, under-estimating our extreme reliance on them."

But the difficulties confronting the Government were underscored by a survey published yesterday on the attitudes of white blue-collar workers in the Pretoria area.

More than 40 per cent. said they would strike to save their jobs from black encroachment and 75 per cent. said they would rather resign than work on an equal footing with blacks.

Pretoria change urged

By MICHAEL KALLENBACH
at the United Nations in New York

AMERICA'S decision to join Security Council condemnation of South Africa was explained by Mr Warren Clark, United States delegate.

Mr Clark said that Washington felt "genuine process of reform" was under way in South Africa and that Pretoria had decided to move away from apartheid.

It was because of this feeling that the arrests and actions to which the resolution referred were of special concern.

The Reagan Administration aimed to promote reform in South Africa through dialogue, not confrontation, and it called on the South African government to move forward with all possible haste on the reforms it had outlined.

It should move forward on upgrading Crossroads and transforming it into a perament residential area, on ending all forced removals, on expanding residency rights for all its people, and towards "the society of equal justice under the law that we all wish to see."

Diplomats said that Britain stepped aside during private negotiations on the resolution in order to allow room for the United States to persuade Africans to modify the original text.

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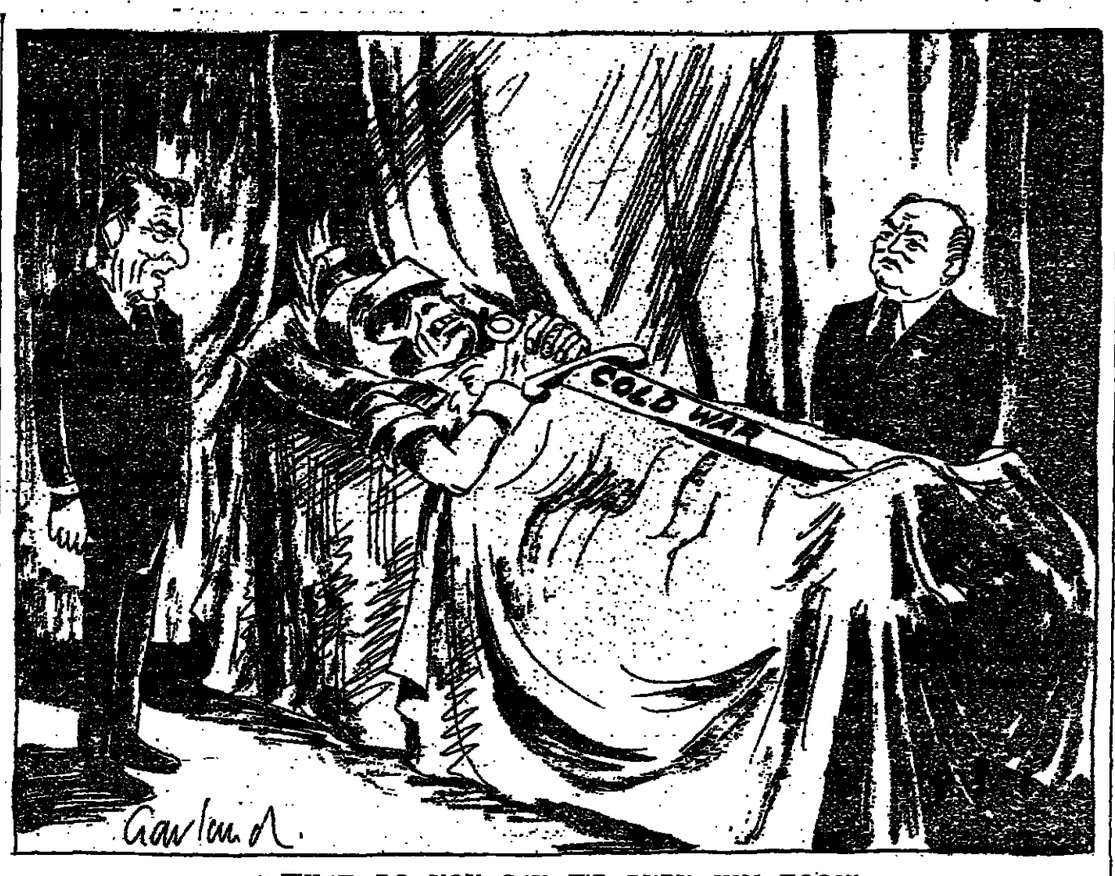


"WHAT DO YOU SAY WE BURY HIM TOO?"

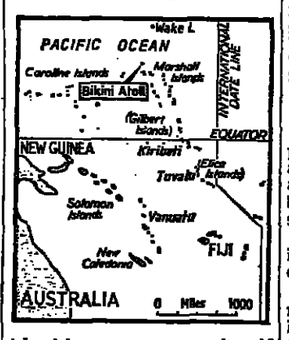
U.S. pledges to clean up Bikini atoll

By DAVID SHEARS
in Washington

AMERICA finally agreed yesterday to clean up the radiation left by 23 nuclear tests at Bikini atoll in the Pacific and make the islands habitable again.

"We are delighted," said Mayor Tomaki Juda, leader of some 1,200 islanders who are living in exile on Kali, more than 400 miles from their homeland. They were looking forward to finaly returning home.

The unhappy odyssey of the Bikini islanders began in 1946 when 167 dwellers of the 26



island lagoon were moved amid assurances from the American military commander that the planned atomic tests would be "for the good of mankind and to end all world wars."

After several moves they eventually settled at Kili, an island of only 200 acres which they call "the prison." One-ninth the size of their homeland it has neither a lagoon nor port, making fishing impossible for most of the year.

Last May the Bikinians filed a suit in Hawaii seeking an injunction requiring the American government to make Bikini atoll safe for human habitation.

The settlement signed yesterday, dismissing the lawsuit, states that the United States favours the rehabilitation and resettlement of Bikini atoll by the exiled islanders "and pledges to use its best efforts to facilitate the steps necessary to achieve these objectives."

Taken from Japan

An independent team of scientists reported to Congress last year that the work could be done for less than half the $120 million originally estimated. It mainly involves stripping away topsoil and replanting palm trees and other vegetation.

Bikini atoll belongs to the Marshall islands 2,500 miles south-west of Hawaii. Captured from Japan in the 1939-45 War, they were placed under American trust administration by the United Nations in 1947 and are now part of the trust territory of the Pacific islands, or Micronesia.

Yesterday's settlement does not affect another law suit the Bikinians have brought claiming $450 million for the past destruction of Bikini.

This case is tentatively set for trial this autumn.

BA offers to unravel Chinese airline chaos

By HUGH DAVIES in Hongkong

BRITISH AIRWAYS hopes to secure a multi-million - pound contract with CAAC, China's notoriously inefficient national airline.

During talks in Peking with Shen Tu, director-general of CAAC, Lord King, British Airways chairman, offered a comprehensive package of assistance, particularly for the carrier's passenger booking system.

At the moment, the main booking office in Peking is often chaotic with people shoving for hours just to reach counters.

The oppressed clerks, armed with antiquated machinery, invariably sav a flight is full simply because seats are being held back in case high-level "carders" want to travel at the last minute.

Contact needed

Foreign businessmen complain it often takes days to get a ticket that sometimes eventually has to be bought through the so-called "back-door" system.

To get confirmed tickets, it is usually essential to have a contact in the office.

In addition, credit cards cannot be used on any flight, even if it is booked in Hongkong by people entering China.

British Airways has approached CAAC with a deal that would enable the Chinese to use computer software to streamline their reservations systems and check-in procedures, and connect them with the international network.

The package would also enable the Chinese airline to integrate its management and co-ordinate internal activities. British Airways has already earned two Queen's awards for its exports of computer technology, which is used in several countries including the United States and Saudi Arabia.

Lord King, who received an extremely cordial reception in Peking last week, also talked to the Chinese airline about engineering and mainteanance for China's 30-strong Trident fleet, its 737/747 jets and helicopters, which are being increasingly used in oil fields and areas of difficult terrain.

Training is also being offered to service clerks, cabin crews and ground staffs. British Airways has suggested it provide the us eof jumbo jet simulators at Heathrow for training pilots.

Mr Roderick Wilson, British Airways general manager for the Far East, said in Hongkong yesterday, "We were very encouraged by the optimistic nature of our talks in Peking. In addition, tourism is developing in China at such a rate that we have flown in a party of travel writers to support the effort."

PEUGEOT PLANT
Export target

MICHAEL FIELD IN PARIS writes: Peugeot, the French privately-owned car manufacturer, has announced plans to build a plant in China that will produce an average of 15,000 vehicles a year.

RACKET IN FAMINE FOOD

By ALAN OSBORN
Common Market
Correspondent in Strasbourg

COMMON Market food shipped to Ethiopia for famine relief is being sold by Ethiopian soldiers to traders in Sudan who are in turn selling it to Eritrean rebel forces, a British Euro-MP said yesterday.

Mr Paul Howell (C., Norfolk) said he had filmed transactions in which sacks of skimmed milk powder marked "gift of the European Community to the people of Ethiopia" were sold at the Sudanese border to Eritreans engaged in a war of independence with Ethiopia.

"I'm a farmer and I know ho wto estimate quantities. I saw 200-400 tons in sacks stacked in mud huts being sold." The Sudanese traders told him they had bought it from Ethiopia soldiers.

Mr Howel, back from a private visit to Eritean forces in Ethiopia, said that besides film and photographs, he had taken the sacks serial numbers so as to trace the handling.

Illegal crossing

The food aid was being "miraculously" supplied to the Eritreans who shunned the government food stations "because they are the enemy."

On Mr Howell's unofficial visit, which was paid for by himself, were two other Euro-MP's and journalists from Ireland and Belgium. He admitted that the team entered Ethiopia illegaly, crossing at night from the Sudanese border.

He also told of a surprise in the Ethiopian desert, while shaving in front of a mirror held up by a soldier, he heard an English voice saying, "ah, Mr Howell, I have been trying to get an appointment to see you for six months."

It was a lecturer from the University of East Anglia, who is engaged in agricultural research in Ethiopia. Mr Howell said he was shocked, into disbelief adding: "How on earth am I able to get away from my constituents?"

U.N. DROUGHT TALKS
Self reliance call

OUR GENEVA CORRESPONDENT United Nations aid officials yesterday opened a round of private consultations with the six nations worst hit by the African drought. They are Ethiopia, the Sudan, Mali, Mozambique, Chad and Niger.

An earlier conference aimed at mobilising aid suggested that African nations should "develop their own food production capabilities and achieve a self reliance so as to prevent future tragedies."

Cambodia poll plan a trick, says Sihanouk

By NANCY ANDERSON in Bangkok

VIETNAM'S latest proposals for elections in Cambodia were rejected yesterday by Prince Norodom Sihanouk as a trick to impose a Communist regime.

Vietnam wanted an election controlled by Heng Samrin, president of the Vietnamese-backed Communist regime in Cambodia, said Prince Sihanouk, president of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea (Cambodia) recognised by the United Nations.

Resistance forces of the Coalition Government oppose the Vietnamese troops occupying Cambodia.

The Government comprises a group led by Sihanouk, Son Sann's People's National Liberation Front, and the Khmer Rouge, who claim to have abandoned their Communist ideology, which resulted in genocidal killings before the Vietnamese ousted them from Phnom Penh, the capital.

Prince Sihanouk spoke after attending the cremation ceremony for Lt-Gen King Hen, second-in-command of the Sihanouk forces, who was killed last Friday by Communist artillery, and he estimated Vietnam used three divisions (10,000 men) to capture Tatum, his forces' hilltop base.

A Thai Army spokesman meanwhile denied a report that Thai reinforcements had been sent to Surin province to the border area where Tatum fell.

Reports conflicted, however, on who now controlled two strategic hills inside Thailand over-run by Communist troops last week.

VIETNAM ACCUSED
Letter from China

HUGH DAVIES in Hongkong reports: China sent a letter yesterday to the United Nations, accusing Vietnam of bombarding border villages, sending "spies" across the frontier, and kidnapping Chinese residents.

The letter also condemned Vietnamese incursions into Thailand and Vietnam's offensive against guerrillas in Cambodia, particularly the Peking-backed Khmer Rouge.

China said that a Vietnamese offensive had failed to wipe out Cambodian resistance and that Vietnam was seeking a pretext to continue occupying Cambodia.

61 ARRESTED IN U.S. RAIDS ON DRUG NETWORK

By Our New York Staff

American authorities claim to have smashed a powerful Colombian cocaine smuggling network that since 1979 has been distributing drugs worth more than £650 million a year.

In a series of dawn raids on Tuesday, 61 people were arrested in New Jersey, where the ring was based, in Florida, and in New York. All were Colombian nationals.

Mr Hunt Dumont, United States attorney, said the gang had smuggled the cocaine into Florida by ship, then driven it to New Jersey and other locations in specially-built cars with concealed compartments. Some couriers, dressed as nuns and carried packages of cocaine under their habits.

PAKISTAN TO GET U.S. MISSILES

The United States is to supply Pakistan with Aim-9L advanced air-to-air missiles to defend its western borders against continued intrusions into its air space and territory from Russian-occupied Afghanistan, a senior American official said in Islamabad yesterday.

Mr Michael Armacost, United States Under-Secretary of State for Political Affairs, said at a news conference his country would augment the "air-defence capability of Pakistan" because it recognised the pressure imposed by the presence of more than 100,000 Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

AYERS ROCK FOR ABORIGINES

Aborigines will regain ownership of Ayers Rock, one of their most sacred sites and an Australian tourist attraction, in an agreement reached yesterday with Mr Clyde Holding, Aboriginal Affairs Minister.

Under the deal, the Pitjantjatjara tribe would get the freehold title to the rock and surrounding Uluru National Park. —Reuter.

AMMUNITION BLAST

An explosion, described as accidental, in an Indonesian ammunition dump on the outskirts of the West Java city of Bandung yesterday killed an unstated number of soldiers and civilian workers.—Reuter.

LIFE JAIL FOR TWO LEFTIST MURDERERS

By Our Staff Correspondent
in Bonn

Two leading members of the Red Army Faction, also known as the Baader-Meinhof Gang, were sentenced to life imprisonment in Dusseldorf yesterday for their involvement in a wave of terror the extreme Left-wing group waged in the late 1970s.

Adelheid Schulz, 29, was sentenced to three concurrent life terms for the 1977 kidnapping and murder of Herr Hanns-Martin Schleyer, president of the West German Employers' Association, his three bodyguards and driver, and the killing of Herr Jurgen Ponto, chief executive of the Dresdner bank, West Germany's second largest.

Rolf-Clemens Wagner, 41, already serving a 15-year sentence in Switzerland for the murder of a passer-by during a Zurich bank raid, was given two terms of life imprisonment for the Schleyer kiling. As the sentences were passed the two accused talked and kissed in the courtroom.

Village fears for fate of 200 men taken by Israelis

By CON COUGHLIN in Zararia

THE OLD men, young boys and womenfolk of Zararia, south Lebanon, were left yesterday to reflect on the devastation of their village. The rest of the menfolk had either been killed or taken away by Israeli soldiers.

The Shi'ite Moslem village was the target on Monday of a well organised and efficiently executed operation.

As the villagers slowly recovered from the shock of being subjected to Israel's "iron fist" policy, their main concern was the fate of the 200 men taken away in commandeered school buses and army trucks.

The Israelis refuse to say where the men have been taken or what has happened to them. In the light of what happened during the Israeli strike, many villagers now fear the worst.

The legacy of the raid was clearly visible. Virtually every car in the village had either been blown up by tank shells or crushed beneath the tanks. Many of the dead had either been shot driving out of the village or were crushed to death in their driving seats as the tnks rolled in.

Track flattened

On the road into the village lay the bullet-riddled bodies of two men who had been driving a small truck loaded with oranges. One of the bodies had more than 40 bullet holes.

Oranges lay scattered all over the road and around what was left of the truck, which had been virtually flattened into the road by a tank that had run over it.

In the village itself many homes were now piles of rubble after being dynamited because the Israelis believed they housed Shi'ite guerrillas.

The small gendarmerie post in the village was one of the buildings identified as a terrorist post even though it was a base for the Lebanese Army.

The operation began at 5 am when about 1,000 Israeli troops, backed by helicopters and tanks, crossedthe Litani River and madetheir way five miles uphill to the village.

Under fire

For the next 12 hours the village was completely cut off to the outside world while the Israelis searched for suspected terrorists.

As they advanced they came under fire from a small Lebanese Army contingent that had been invited to take up a position in the village by the Israelis themselves just two months ago when they withdrew behind the Litani.

The Lebanese force was quickly overpowered after a brief clash in which one soldier was killed and the rest rounded up and arrested.

Villagers said yesterday that the Israelis humiliated the captain of the small Lebanese contingent by forcing him to take off his boots and socks and ripping off his epaulettes in front of the whole village.

Many villagers were still afraid of talking about their ordeal yesterday because they were told that if they talked to the Press the Israelis would return.

'Here a long time'

But one elderly woman told how, when Israeli searchers found her son's Lebanese Army uniform, they insisted it was a terrorist's and burned her house down.

"We find it very hard to believe what has happened," a village elder said. "The Israelis were here for a long time and there was no problem. Now they believe we are full of terrorists."

But, while many people were frightened about what had happened they remained defiant. One man, whose son was killed by the Israelis, said: "My son died a martyr. The Israelis cannot win here or break our spirit."

As a reminder of their visit some soldiers had scrawled slogans in Arabic on walls throughout the village. One read: "The revenge of the Israeli defence forces." Posters of the Shi'ite Moslem political leader, Mr Nabih Berri, had also been defaced.

But for all this the thoughts of the villagers returned constantly to the fate of the menfolk who had been carried away.

Rumours in the village suggest more bodies may be found in the orange orchards that lead down to the banks of the Litani. But for the moment the villagers are too frightened to look.

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Crisis keeps Gemayel away from Moscow

By OUR STAFF CORRESPONDENT in Beirut

PRESIDENT GEMAYEL of Lebanon was yesterday forced to abandon his plans to attend the funeral of President Chernenko after his government was plunged into yet another political crisis.

The latest blow was dealt by his own party.

Christian militiamen broke away from the political wing of President Gemayel's Phalange party and sent their gunmen on to the streets of East Beirut.

Within hours the militiamen had seized control of many key points in East and North Beirut. Schools and many offieces were closed as the gunmen set up road blocks.

When news of the split broke, President Gemayel called off his visit to Moscow and organised an emergency meeting of leading religious and political Christian leaders in an attempt to resolve the rift.

Biggest challenge

They broke off their discussions at the Baabda Palace briefly to issue a statement condemning "any attempt to infringe on the unity of the Lebanse people or to take up arms against the authority of the State."

The split is the biggest challenge to President Gemayel's party since he came to power authority from within his own in the wake ofthe Israeli invasion of 1982.

In his attempts to reconcile differences between Christian and Moslem factions and reunite Lebanon, he relies heavily on backing from his party.

Role of broker

The militiamen are members of the self-styled Lebanese Forces group which has always been run by the Phalange party. The split occurred after one of its commanders, Samir Geagea, was expelled from the party this week.

Mr Geagea, who commanded Christian forces during fighting with Druze militiamen in the Shouf mountains in September 1983, and was implicated in the massacres in the Shatilla and Sabra Palestinian refugee comps, has become increasingly critical of President Gemayel's close links with Syria.

A row broke out within the Phalange party last month after an historic visit by Phalange leaders to Damascus to forge closer links between Lebanese Christians and the Syrians.

Syria has increasingly played the role of broker in negotiations about the future of Lebanon since the withdrawal of the United States from active participation in peace talks and President Gemayel's abrogation of the agreement with Israel about the withdrawal of its troops from southern Lebanon.

But Christian militiamen, who have fought against the Syrians throughout the civil war, fear President Gemayel has now gone too far.

On Tuesday the militiamen were ordered to withdraw from a key checkpoint north of Beirut that they have controlled since the early days of the civil war as part of a Syrian-backed peace plan. Mr Geagea refused.

His consequent expulsion from the Phalange party provoked the commander of the Lebanese Forces, Fuad abu Nader, to seize control of key areas of East Beirut.

American force

If President Gemayel is found by his Druze and Moslem rivals to be incapable of getting his own party to implement such a basic security requirement, the uneasy truce between the rival Christian and Moslem factions could collapse.

While President Gemayel was locked in discussions to try to resolve the crisis, six United States warships were were reported to be cruising off the Lebanese coast.

Among them are the aircraft carrier Eisenhower and the missile destroyer Mississippi. The ships were ordered to Lebanon because of fears of reprisal attacks against Americans in Lebanon after the United States vetoed a United Nations Security Council resolution proposed by the Lebanese government that condemned the actions of Israel in south Lebanon.

TUNA BOAT SINKS

By Our Auckland Correspondent

Eighteen people were rescued after their 240ft American-owned tuna boat, Tord Bravo, sank north of Papua New Guinea on Monday.

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THATCHER'S LAST RESPECTS TO CHERNENKO

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

A BLACK Zil limousine, of the type used by Politburo members, carried Mrs Thatcher and Sir Geoffrey Howe to pay last respects to Mr Chernenko as Muscovites were arriving at work yesterday.

Mrs Thatcher, wrapped in a black coat against the cold and overnight snow, and wearing a black hat and veil, stepped smartly into the green and white Hall of Columns, where the body lay in state.

Military personnel from the British Embassy had earlier delivered two wreaths flown from London on the Prime Minister's special plane.

One was inscribed from the Queen and Prince Philip the other from the Government and people.

The Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary and Sir Iain Sutherland, Ambassador in Moscow, walked slowly up the red-carpeted white marble staircase, passing Mr Nakasone, Japan's Prime Minster on his way down.

In the funeral chamber the group paused before the body. Mrs Thatcher then bowed slightly and moved to shake hands with Mr Chernenko's widow and family sitting to the right of the high bier.

Later light snow was falling and an amplified Kremlin clock ticking as foreign leaders from East and West filed along the Kremlin Wall to their places for the burial on Red Square.

The temperature was about 30 Fahrenheit, considerably less cold than the minus two degrees Fahrenheit Mrs Thatcher endured at Mr Andropov's funeral.

Black outfit

Her all black outfit was matched for sombre elegance yesterday only by Mrs Imelda Marcos, wife of the Philippines' President, who was swathed in a long black fur coat.

A crowd of several thousand selected mourners assembled in Red Square were holding portraits of Mr Chernenko, trimmed in black and red.

The funeral procession was led by Army officers carrying the leader's portrait, his medals on silken squabs and wreathes fromthe Hall of Columns. The coffin, wrapped in red silk, followed on a gun carriage draped in red and black.

Four slow-marching soldiers flanked the catafalque while Mr Chernenko's widow, Anna Dmitrievna, walked behind, supported by a military man believed to be the President's brother.

The ritual was identical to that of the funerals for Presidents Andropov and Brezhnev, in 1984 and 1982.

Open coffin

Mr Gorbachev led Politburo members onto the square. He delivered the funeral oration looking down on the open coffin placed in front of the leadership rostrum on top of Lenin's tomb.

The Moscow regional party chief and longest serving Politburo member, Mr Viktor Grishin, 70, was second to speak, followed by a tractor driver from a collective farm in Mr Chernenko's native Siberian region of Krasnoyarsk.

After the speeches, which took nearly half an hour, six uniformed pallbearers with the blue epaulettes of state security troops carried the coffin, still open in the traditional way, to the graveside behind Lenin's tomb.

Mr Gorbachev followed, flanked by Mr Gromyko, 75, the Foreign Minister and Mr Tikhonov, 79, the Prime Minister, who stumbled going up steps and was saved from falling by an aide.

The President's family filed past the coffin to kiss the body. The lid was fixed down and the casket lowered into the grave as an artillery salute boomed from the Lenin Hills.

Mr Gorbachev and other leaders stooped to scatter earth on the coffin before workmen filled in the grave. The band played the national anthem.

13-month ruler

Mr Chernenko, Kremlin chief for 13 months, died on Sunday, aged 73, from heart failure caused by lung and liver diseases.

World leaders at his funeral included East European heads and President Babrak Karmal of Afghanistan Gen. Jaruzelski of Poland wore a dark suit and overcoat instead of the green military uniform usually seen in Poland.

In addition to Vice President Bush of the United States and Mrs Thatcher there were Vice Premier Li Fing of China, President Mitterrand of France, President Pertini of Italy, Chancellor Kohl of West Germany, the United Nationas Secretary General, Senor Perez de Cuellar, President Zia of Pakistan and President Ortega of Nicaragua.

Others included India's Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mulroney, President Dos Santos of Angola, President Machel of Mozambique, the P.L.O leader, Mr Yasser Arafat and Mr Sam Njoma, head of the South West Africa People's Organisation.

In his funeral oration Mr Gorbachev got straight down to business showing that he intends to reinvigorate the campaign, begun by President Andropov two years ago, for the tighter discipline and order.

He declared: "We will support, encourage and elevate in all ways those who by deeds and practical results, rather than by words, show their honest and conscientious attitude towards civic duty.

'Peace and progress'

On world issues he said Moscow would "do everything to preserve peace." The right to live in peace was the supreme human right. Russia threatened nobody but would not be dictated to.

PRAVDA carried a front-page leading article yesterday pledging that Moscow would continue to pursue a foreign policy course of "peace and social progress."

With nuclear war hanging over mankind, "the only sensible way out of the present situation is agreement of the opposing forces about a speedy halt to the arms race, above all the nuclear arms race on earth and the prevention of an arms race in space," the newspaper said.

"To make such an agreement possible, the Soviet Union proposes a freeze on nuclear arsenals and a halt to further missile development to achieve step by step a real and major reduction in stocks of arms.

"The Soviet Union's partners in negotiations should know that we will meet goodwill with goodwill, trust with trust."

Mr Gorbachev, the new Soviet leader, and Mr Gromyko, the veteran Foreign Minister, following President Chernenko's open coffin during the funeral yesterday in Moscow's Red Square.

Kohl and Honecker mend fences in Moscow

By MICHAEL FARR in Bonn

EAST-West German relations took a step forward in Moscow yesterday after a meeting between Chancellor Kohl and Herr Honecker, the East German leader, who were attending the funeral of President Chernenko.

A Bonn spokesman described the meeting, which covered more than two hours and followed their first encounter over a year ago at the funeral of President Andropov, as "businesslike and open."

Soviet displeasure

A joint statement said the two German leaders would "undertake every effort to develop and build on normal and good neighbourly relations in the interests of peace and stability."

They agreed that "War should never emanate from German soil," and that with the opening of new arms talks in Geneva a new phase in East-West relations had begun.

Commentators said the agreement to issue a joint statement indicated fences had been mended after Herr Honecker's abrupt cancellation of his planned first visit to West Germany last September because of Soviet displeasure.

But Herr Peter Boenisch, the chief Bonn spokesman, said neither a future date for a Honecker visit nor the question of further credits to East Germany had been discussed during the meeting of the two leaders.

Until the brakes were suddenly applied last autumn, a sequence of major West German bank credits backed by Bonn to East Berlin had done much to ease relations between the two German States.

Open talk

In another significant East-West encounter in Moscow yesterday, Dr Kohl had his first meeting with Gen. Jaruzelski, the Polish leader

Although relations between Bonn and Warsaw have been particularly problematic lately, German sources said the two leaders had spoken for an improvement in relations between their countries in "an open talk in a very good atmosphere."

Apart from meetings Mr Gorbachev for the first time, Dr Kohl, who is keen to visit Czecho-slovakia this year, also had a meeting with Mr Musak, the Czechoslovak leader.

FIRST CONCORDE TRIP TO MOSCOW

By Our Commercial Correspondent

A British Airways Concorde will fly to Moscow for the first time on April 12 with 98 passengers on a "flight of fancy" tour arranged by Goodwood Travel, of Canterbury.

Tandy sale

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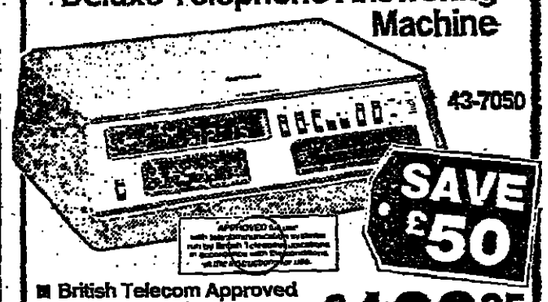

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Gorbachev must tackle Politburo powerbase

By NIGEL WADE in Moscow

ONE of the first decisions Mr Mikhail Gorbachev must face is what roles to give the military and the secret police under his leadership.

Now, most unusually, neither of these mighty institutions is directly represented in the ruling Politburo.

Mr Viktor Chebrikov, 61, the KGB chief, is a non-voting candidate member. The last head who was also a full Politburo member was Mr Yuri Andropov, who became party leader in November, 1982, and ruled until his death in February last year.

Marshal Sergei Sokolov, 73, appointed Defence Minister after the death of Marshal Ustinov in December, is not even a candidate member.

Mr Grigori Romanov, 62, the Communist party Central Committee Secretary responsible for the defence industries, is seen as spokesman for the military among the Politburo's ten surviving full members. He, for one, may prefer things this way.

Much to learn

The veteran Foreign Minister, Mr Gromyko, 75, who nominated Mr Gorbachev as General Secretary after Mr Chernenko died, would be another with no interest in letting the Army back into the Politburo.

As a full Politburo member Mr Gromyko strengthened his personal influence on foreign policy making under the inexperienced Mr Chernenko who was not only to rely increasingly on Mr Gromyko's vase experience but even to defer to him at times in meetings with foreign leaders.

Mr Gromyko may hope to keep the same degree of influence, at least initially, with Mr Gorbachev, who, although able and willing to travel abroad, still has much to learn about foreign affairs.

But additions to the politburo are overdue. The number of full members was kept at around 14 until President Brezhnev died in November, 1982, and it is thought Mr Gorbachev will want to bring in younger men to consolidate his power.

Mr Chebrikov, of the KGB, does not have an "old age" problem. Moreover, he has been a candidate member of the Politburo since December 1983.

Some Western analysts describe Kremlin politics in terms of constant triangular rivalry between the party apparatus, the military and the KGB. If so, the party is clearly in the ascendant for the moment.

CHINA ATTACK ON CORRUPTION

A senior aide of Chinese leader Ten Xiao-ping yesterday attacked corruption among leading Communist officials and said cleaning up such unhealthy trends was vital to the nation's economic reforms.

In the official PEOPLE'S DAILY Bo Yibo, vice-chairman of the party Rectification Committee, said party and government officials were running private businesses, dealing in foreign currency, and indiscriminately raising prices and offering loans. — Reuter.

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VIDEO PIRACY ON MASSIVE SCALE, SAYS PROSECUTION

A HUGE pirate video racket was smashed after police kept watch on two North London cinemas, the prosecution alleged at Knightbridge Crown Court yesterday.

Eight men, including cinema managers and projectionists, were involved in the racket, which reaped big profits, Mr JOHN LLOYD-ELY, prosecuting, said.

Bribes of £200 a time ensured the brief disappearance of box office hits like "Superman III," "Airplane II," "The Missionary," "Firefox" and "Beastmaster" to be illegally copied, he said.

Master tapes were prepared, video casette copies made, and within hours a film was returned to the cinema, said Mr Lloyd-Ely.

The racket was uncovered by the organisation FACT (The Federation against Copyright Theft) who worked closely with police. Investigators marked film sent to two North London cinemas — the A B C in Golders Green and the Ace in Stoke Newington, Mr Lloyd-Ely.

"It is said they used the highly - sophisticated £50,000 Rank Cintel copying machine to make a master tape from which thousands of high quality cassettes can be made," said Mr Lloyd-Ely.

Eight men deny conspiring to breach copyright laws between July and August, 1985.

MICHAEL TEPPERAS, of Wittenden Way, Poplar, denies four charges of conspiracy with STEPHEN SHARMAN, a former solicitor, and others to copy videos and contravene the Copywright Act. Sharman, of Creighton Avenue, Muswell Hill failed to appear and a warrant was issued fo rhis arrest.

JOHN JEMMET, 30, a pet shop owner, of Fore Street, Edmonton, and RAYMOND DUTTON, 35, manager of the A B C, of Ermine Side, Enfield, deny two charges of conspiring with Tepper to steal and unlawfully copy feature films.

AZIZ MULLAR, 51, former cinema projectionist, of Toyne Way, Highgate, MANOHAR JAGWANI, 51, former manager at the Ace Cinema, of Oakdale Road, Forest Gate, JIVATRAM ASWAMI, 54, projectionist, of Donal Road, Plaistow, TERENCE JAYES, 47, of First Avenue, Bush Hill Park, Enfield, and GARY CATTLE, 24, Tottenham Road, Islington, deny conspiring together to breach laws of copyright by copying films. Mullar is further charged with stealing a copy of "Superman III."

The trial was adjourned until today.

BOARDERS' 'THUGGERY' PREJUDICE

By MARGOT NORMAN
Education Staff

MANY boarding-school pupils would never dream of mixing socially with their state school contemporaries because they believe that anyone who goes to a "comprehensive" must be a thug, a headmistress told the Boarding Schools Association conference yesterday.

"Many of my girls equate the word 'comprehensive' with vandalistic and al sorts of violent tendencies," said Mrs Patricia Johns, head-mistress of St Mary's in Wantage, Berks.

Blaming the girls' parents for this damaing prejudice, Mrs Johns said independent-school heads ought to se it as part of their job to introduce their sheltered charges to "the other 90 per cent. "who go to state day-schools.

The conference agreed that one of the main advantages of boarding-schools was the close friendships children made there, but its main draw-back was not they went home for the holi-having any friends locally when days.

Combating the boarding-child's holiday loneliness and social isolation is "something parents have to work hard at" admitted Mr Tom Burr, one of the parents who addressed the conference in Bournemouth.

Mrs Johns whose daughter transfered at 16 from a boarding-school to the local comprehensive, opening up a much wider circle of friends, urged boarding schools to take the initiative.

They should forge links with State schools and should make sure pupils did not feel they had to pick up the phone to another boarder during the holidays to feel they were speaking to a friend.

Miss Heather Couper, president of the British Astronomical Society, pointing yesterday to a beam depicting Halley's Comet while discussing National Astronomy Week from Nov. 9-16when the real thing will be visible over Britain.
PICTURE: KENNETH MASON

NHS CUTS £4m FROM ADVERTS

By DAVID FLETCHER
Health Services Correspondent

THE National Health Service is to save at least £4 million a year by cutting the cost of its recruitment advertising, Mr Fowler, Health and Social Services Secretary, announced yesterday.

He has told health authorities that they must curb the £10 million a year cost of advertising for staff in specialist journals by accepting strict new rules.

Satisfactory response

Starting next month health authorities will not be allowed to use display advertising, use logos or write wordy advertisements.

Posts must not be advertised in more than one journal and advertisements must be restricted to providing the information necessary to attract a satisfactory response.

SALMONELLA DEATH

A third elderly woman patient has died in a Coventry hospital from salmonella poisoning. Two other women who were at Whitley Hospital are still suffering from the illness.

£75m to aid migrant projects 'misdirected'

By DAVID FLETCHER Health Services Correspondent

POSSIBLE misspending of more than £75 million of taxpayers' money by local councils is under investigation by the Home Office, it was disclosed yesterday.

The money was allocated by the Home Office to 118 local councils to finance educational and social projects for Commonwealth immigrants.

Initial inquiries have shown that the money has at times been spent on social services in general and 80 councils have been asked for further explanations.

They have been told that the money must be spent on projects that will help Commonwealth immigrants and not spent on ethnic minority groups in general.

Language classes

A spokesman for the Home Office said the money was provided under Section II of the Local Government Act to enable local authorities to employ extra staff for teaching, providing day nurseries, language classes or other aids to immigrants from the Commonwealth or Pakistan.

"The Department is not seeking to reduce the amount of money it makes avilable, but wants to ensure that it is spent on the spicific purposes for which it is provided."

The misdirection of the money was uncovered by SOCIAL WORK TODAY, the journal of the British Association of Social Workers, which published an internal report by Birmingham City Council's ethnic minorities research unit.

The report says that Birmingham's social services department appears to be apportioning more resources to areas where, both relatively and absolutely, there are fewer blacks.

"Conversely, the least resources would seem to go to areas where the black populations are relatively and absolutely greater."

Birmingham Community Relations Council found that one children's home where two employees were supposed to be funded by the Home Office had closed and that another home with two Home Office-funded posts was looking after white children.

TRAIN DEATH

A 22-year-old Oxford undergraduate who died after being hit by a train was named yesterday as Alexander Elliott, of Wadham College, of Chalfont House, Chesham Street, Westminster. The accident occurred on the line near Walton Well Road, Oxford.

'ONCE IN LIFETIME' COMET

By ADRIAN BERRY
Science Correspondent

IT will be a "once in a lifetime experience" for many people to see Halley's Comet which becomes visible this autumn, Mr Patrick Moore, the astronomer, said yesterday.

He and Miss Heather Couper, British Astronomical Society president, were announcing plans for National Astronomy Week, from Nov. 9 to 16, which is being sponsored by THE DAILY TELEGRAPH.

During that week the comet will be easily visible through binoculars or a small telescope near the Pleiades, or "Seven Sisters" cluster of star in the consellation of Taurus, Mr Moore said.

The comet will not return again until 2061.

Edmond Halley, the 17th century astronomer after whom the comet is named, would have thoroughly enjoyed the idea of celebrating the comet's return —simply because he enjoyed celebrations.

When Tsar Peter the Great visited England in 1698, he and Halley had dinner together and got riotously drunk.

First recording

By the end of the evening the Tsar was unconscious, and Halley decided to cart him home in a wheelbarrow. But Halley's steering was so inaccurate that he tipped the Tsar into a hedge.

Hallev's comet has appeared every 76 years, at least since 1057 B B. when it appearance was in 1066, the year of William the Conqueror's invasion of England.

Contrary to popular superstition, the comet's appearance do not foretell great events on earth. It was 11 years later for the sealing of Hagna Carta, it missedthe first Reform Bill by three years nd it ws four yers took early for the outbreak of the 1914-18 War.

Comets ,of which there are thousands of millions in the solar system, are essentially "dirty snowballs" in space. They have a rocky nucleus and when they approach the sun, a great "hairy tail" of particles are burned off

For hte first time in this comet's countless appearances it will be met and studied by three spacecraft: from Europe, Japan and Russia.

PLANS OVER NHS DRUGS 'HAZARDOUS'

By Our Health Services Correspondent

GOVERNMENT plans to require doctors to prescribe non-branded drugs instead of the more expensive brand name product will cause a flood of cheap foreign imports to enter Britain, the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry warned yesterday.

It said that the manufacturing standards of such imports could not be checked as carefully as those of British-made drugs.

Another hazard of the new policy was that patients would no longer be able reliably to recognise their medicines because non-branded drugs might be manufactured in different colours or appearance.

Complex regimes

"Some patients, especially the elderly on complex regimes, will suffer from mistakes in self-administration which might have been avoided had their familiar remidies been available."

The association condemned the Government's plans to introduce a limited list of medicines as hasty and ill-prepared.

Doctors will only be able to prescribe on the NHS from the limited list. Drugs not on the list will still be available but patients will have to buy them privately.

The scheme, to be debated in Parliament on Monday, is expected to save £75 million from the NHS drugs bill.

PRESIDENT'S SON SENT FOR TRIAL

The eldest son of President Siaka Stevens of Sierra Leone was sent for trial at Chichester Crown Court yesterday charged with illegally importing herbal cannabis at Gatwick on Jan. 18.

James Richard Stevens, 45, was remanded in custody by Crawley magistrates sitting at Horsham. Miss Fatmata Mansaray, 25, and Miss Bertha Tucker, 28, were charged with Stevens and also remanded in custody.

PEER'S SISTER KILLED HERSELF

A month after being divorced, the sister of Lord Rodney was found dead from carbon monoxide poisoning in the back seat of her car in a garage, Westminster Coroner's Court was told.

A verdict that she killed herself while suffering from depression was recorded on Sylvia de Bellaigue, 55, of Bloomfield Road, Maida Vale.

Million pupils will be sent home in fourth strike wave

By JOHN IZBICKI Education Correspondent

NEARLY one million children will have to be sent home next week as a result of "Phase Four" in the strike campaign by the two major teachers' unions.

The National Union of Teachers announced the fourth in its series of three-day strikes, starting next Tuesday.

More than 325,000 children attending 434 schools in 47 local education authorities will have their education disrupted when 7,000 NUT members will go on strike.

The second-biggest teacher union, the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, is to step up its own series of rolling lightning strikes from Monday. I understand a total of 18 local authorities will be affected by the NAS/UWT action.

Schools involved in the NUT strike are:

NEWCASTLE: Archbald First, Dinnington First, Grange First, Kenlaw First, Linhope First, Regent Farm First, West Denton First Westerhope First, Chillingham Road P, Christchurch CEP, Cowgate P, Delaval Jnr, Denton Rd Jnr, Denton Rd Inf, Hawthorn P, Hilton P, Mary Trevelyan P, Moorside Comm P, Ruby St P, St Catherine's RC P, St Charles RC P, St Teresa's RC P, Westgate Hill Inf, Chapel Pk Mid, Denton Pk Mid, Gosforth Central Mid, Gosforth West Mid, Heaton Manor Comp, Ridewood Comp, St Mary's C Comp.

DURHAM: Avenue Com, Newton Aycliffe, Greenfield Comp, Newton Aycliffe, Woodham Comp, Newton Aycliffe, Stephenson Way P, Newton Aycliffe, Heighington CE P, Belmont Comp, Framwellgate Moor Comp, Gilesgate Comp, Ferryhill Comp, Gilesgate Inf, Sherburn P.

WIGAN: Lowton High, Shevington High, John Rigby VIth Form Coll, Park Hath, St John Southworth RCP, Leigh Central P, Nicol Mere P, Leigh CE Jnr, Sacred Heart RCP, St Philip's CE, Ince, Hindley Low Hall.

CHESHIRE: Winsford Comp, Ellesmere Port, Meadow Jnr, Meadow Inf, Mansfield Inf, Sutton Green CP, Stanney Com, Palace Fields Jnr, Halton, Bankfield High.

OLDHAM: Alexandra Pk Jnr, Werneth Jnr, Radcliffe Comp, Counthill Comp, Hathershaw Comp, St Margaret's CE P, North Chadderton Comp, Royton Crompton Comp.

WIRRAL: Henry Mellor, Bishop Challoner, Pensby Boys, Prenton High, Portland, St John's Jnr, Church Drive Jnr, Eastham Hesketh Jnr, Riverside Prim.

Kirklees: Almondbury HS, King James HS, Headfield CE Mid.

Rotherham: Clifton Comp, Rawmarsh Comp, Greasborough J and I.

Calderdale: Deanfield Jnr., Calder High School, Sowerby Bridge High School.

Bradford: Thornbury Mid, Gregory Mid, Fairfax Upper, Queensbury Upper, Thornton Upper.

Humberside: Bethune Jnr High, Coleford Jnr High, East Mount Jnr High, Sutton Park Jnr High, Thanet Jnr High, Wansbeck Jr High, Headlands School, Bridlington.

Leeds: Newlands J and I Morley, Arthur Greenwood Mid, St Kerlas RC Mid, Roddilian S, Crawshaw HS.

Lincolnshire: Lacey Gardens Jnr, Louth, St Michael's CEP, Monks Dyke HS, John Spendlove City Sec, John Birbeck, Spalding CP, Spalding, Sir John Gierd Boys, Sir John Gieed Girls, George Farmer CS, Holbeach.

Leicestershire: Wreake Valley HS, Sexton, Roundhill Coll., Thurmaston, Longlade Coll., Burbak, Strathdee RC, Broomfield CE, Queniborough CEP, Long Close Sp, Groby Coll., Martin HS, Anstey, Brookvale High School, Groby, Newbrall Special.

Derbyshire: Leckhowne S, Duffield, Highfield S, Matlock, Belper HS, Belper Park Mid S, Long Eaton, Willsthorpe S, Long Eaton S, Gladys Buxton S, Dronfield, Gosforth S, Dronfield, Henry Fanshaw S, Dronfield.

Shropshire: John Hunt Sec., Phoenix Sec., Moorfield Prim., St George's Prim., John Randall Prim., Malinslee Prim., Stirchley First.

Solihull: Tudor Grange Comp., Heart of England Comp., Bosworth Wood J and I, Dorridge Jnr., Marston Green Jnr., Whateley J and I, Yorkswood J and I, Forest Oak Spec.

STAFFORDSHIRE—Stoke: Trentham High, Blurton High, Blurton Prim., Smallthorne Prim., Packmoor Prim., Sacred Green Prim., Greenways Prim.

Lichfield: Friary Grange Com., Whitington Prim.

Burton-on-Trent: Paget Comp., Robert Sutton RC Comp., St Peter's CE Prim.

Stafford: Rising Brook High, Walton High, Highfield Grove Mid.

Newcastle-under-Lyme: Bradwell High, Clayton High, St John Fisher High.

Chase: Norton Canes Comp., Sherbrook Comp.

Birmingham: Jerome J and I, St Peter's CE Inf., West Heath Jnr., James Watt Jnr., St Peter's CE Jnr., St Peter's CE Inf., Greenholm J and I, St Chads RC J and I, Sarestone Prim., Hawkesley Jnr.

Bedfordshire: Stockwood HS, Luton, Vandyke Upper, Limmer Mdt, Luton, VI Form Coll., Westfield Mid, Bedford, Pilgrim Upper.

Cambridgeshire: Orton Longueville, Peterborough, Wingates P, Woodston P, St Ivo School St Ives, Thorndon Jnr.

Suffolk: Thurston Upper, Bury St Edmunds, Hadleigh High, Hadleigh, Gt Cornard Upper.

Hertfordshire: Ashby Sec, Hemel Hempstead, Holtsmere End CJ, Bellgate CP, Astley Cooper Sec, Westfield First.

Essex: Holt Farm Jnr SE Essex, Sutton CP, Rochford Prim, Leigh Beck Inf, Leigh Beck Jnr, Deanes Sec, Quilters Jnr, Fitzwa Inf, Merryfield Inf, Fitzwa Jnr, Hilltop Jnr, Blue House Jnr, Brightside Jnr, South Green Jnr.

Norfolk: Wymondham HS, Swaffham HS, Gaywood Pk HS King's Lynn, Charles Burrell HS Thetford, Rosemary Musker HS Thetford.

W. Sussex: Worthing High, Worthing VIth Form Coll, St Andrews Sec, Durrington High.

Hampshire: Cranborne Comp, Basingstoke, Queen Mary VIth Form Coll, Richard Aldworth Sec, Brighton Hill Sec, Fort Hill Sec, John Hunt of Everest Sec, Hurst Sec, Bishopswood Jnr, South View Inf, Manor Field Inf, Manor Field Jnr, Four Lanes J and I, Test Valley Sec, Andover.

Kent: North Boys Sec, Ashford, North Girls Sec, Rothelaw Sec, Towers Sec, Duncan Bowen Sec, Mascalls Sec, Tunb, Wells, Sandown Counl. Sec, Ridgeway Sec, Paddock Wood CP, W. Kent Reading Centre.

Surrey: Queens Eleanor's Mid, Guildford, Bishop Reindorp Sec, Guildford C. Sec, Park Barn Sec, Howard of Effingham Sec.

E. Sussex: Beacon Sec, Crowborough, Forest Row P, Frant CP, Uplands Comm, Coll, Wadhurst.

Avon: Grange Comp, Hanham High, Kingswood High, Sir Bernard Lovell, Mangotsfield Comp, Filton High, Kings Edmund Comp, Castle Park, Chew Valley Comp, Churchill Comp, Cleveden Comp, Gordano Comp, Nailsea Comp, Mead Vale Prim, Milton Jnr.

Cornwall: Mullion S, Camborne S, Redruth S.

Devon: Exeter Comp, Plymouth, Plymstock Comp, Exebuckland Comp, Tavistock Sch., Tavistock.

Gloucestershire: Berry Hill CP Forest of Dean, Littledean CP, Tuthill CP, Whiteross, Tewkesbury Sch, N. Gloucester, Tirlebrook Sch.

Berkshire: Brookfield Spec, Calcot Prim, Kennet Valley Prim, Theale Gn Prim, Theale Gn, Comp, Westwood Farm Inf, Westwood Farm Jnr, Ashmead Spec, Reading, Avenue Spec, Reading.

Buckinghamshire: Booker Hill Comb, High Wycombe, Carrington Mid, Chiltern Gate Spec, Claytons Mid, Holy Trinity Mid, John Hampden Sec, Lady Verney High, Terriers First, Terriers Mid, Tylers, Green First, Tylers Green Mid, Bellfield Mid, Kingswood First, Branchwood Sec.

Oxfordshire: Bayswater Mid, Grimsd, Berkwood First, Ids Mid, Lark Rise First, Marston Mid, St Augustines Sec, St John Bosco Mid, Temple Cowley Mid, Windmill First, Wood Farm First.

Wiltshire: Corsham Comp, Chippenham, Hardenhuish Comp, Malmesbury Comp, Monkton Park Prim, Priestley CP Colne, Shaw Prim, Sheldon Comp.

Clwd: Denbeigh HS, Brynhyfryd Sec, Rhuthrn, Borthyn Prim.

Gwynedd: Pentraeth S, Menai Bridge, Llandegfan S, Llanfairpwll Prim, Hebrhead, Llanfachreth Prim, Rhosgoch Prim.

...Powys: Kerry Prim, Newtown, Halven Prim, Maesyrhandir Prim, Newtown High S, Welshpool High S, Llanfair Caereinion Sec, Maesyrre Prim, Carreghofa Prim, Leighton Prim.

Dyfed: Llanpeter High S, Aberaeron Prim, Capel Iwan Prim, Idole Prim, Llangunnor Prim, Llandyfaelog Yr Arth, Llanllwni Prim, Llanllloe Prim, St Clears Prim, Model Prim, Nantgaredig Prim, Pedrel Prim, Teneder Prim, Ysgol Bro Myrddin Sec, Queen Elizabeth Maridunum Sec, Queen Elizabeth Cambria Sec, Ysgol Gruffydd Jones Sec, Llandeilo Sec, Glanmarw Prim, Llandovery Prim, Llandadwrn Prim, Crugybar Prim, Bryn Prim, Barv Port Jnr, Felinfoel Prim, Halfway Prim, Lakefield Prim, Llwynhendy Infs, St John Lloyd RC Comp.

ILEA: Streatham Wells Prim, Lambeth, Brockwell Jnr, Brockwell Inf, Walnut Tree Prim, Loughborough Jnr, Herbert Morrison Inf, Herbert Morrison Prim, Hitherfield JM, Hitherfield Inf, Lilian Baylis Sec, Stockwell Park Sec, Willowfield Spec, Seven Islands Spec, Hyde Farm Spec, Soho Parish P, (St James & St Peter's), Westminster, George Eliot Inf, Edward Wilson P, Barrow Hill P, Mary Paterson Nursery, Queens Pk J and I, Gateway P, Wilberforce Jnr, Our Lady of Dolours, St George's Sec, Clarissa Kenaston, George Eliot Jnr, S. Westminster.

Ealing: Northolt High S, Beaconsfield F M, Hambrough F and M, Haverock Mid, Viking Mid, Little Ealing Mid, Costons F and M, Derwentwater, Acton Green F and M.

Enfield: Bush Hill Park Jnr, Churchfield Jnr, Eastfield Jnr, Gaitford Jnr, Garfield Prim, Geo. Spencer Spec, Honilands Prim, Raynham Jnr, St Mary's Prim, Wilbury Jnr, Burbsmoor High, St Angelas High, Chase High.

Havering: Aylloff Jnr, Crownlands Jnr, Towers Jnr, Forest Lodge High, Marshalls Park High, Sanders Draper High.

Newham: Brampton Jnr, Essex Jnr, GGainsborough JMI, Hallsville Inf, Hallsville Jnr, Sandringham Inf, Sandringhamhm Jnr, Shaftesbury Jnr, Vicarage Inf, Vicarage Jnr, Little Ilford Sec, Plashet Sec.

IRA killing of RUC Catholics 'incidental'

By COLIN BRADY in Belfast

ABOUT ten per cent. of recruits to the Royal Ulster Constabulary still come from the Roman Catholic community. Neither community leaders nor senior police officers believe the Provisional IRA's recent murders of numbers of Catholic members of the force were other than coincidental.

No campaign of religious "selection" of victims has been indicated.

Two Roman Catholics died with seven Protestant colleagues in the IRA mortar attack on the police station canteen in Newry, Co. Down.

In addition, Sgt Hugh McCormack, 40, was shot dead in front of his family as he arived for Mass in Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, and Sgt Francis Murphy, 30, married with three children, was murdered outside Armagh cathedral.

According to RUC sources these last two murders, like Protestant victims before them, were simply designed to strike down police at their most vulnerable.

A senior officer said yesterday: "Unlike other areas of the U.K. or on the Continent, where policemen are killed coincidentally with the commission of a criminal act, the officers here are killed because they are members of the RUC.

"The fact that they are Roman Catholics or Protestants is coincidental. They are attacked as individuals, at church or at sporting events, because they are then more relaved and more vulnerable.

"One Protestant officer was shot dead on the steps of his church in Londonderry, and another Protestant was shot dead at his daughter's wedding."

Of the 211 police who have been killed on the streets of Northern Ireland since 1969, 22 have been Roman Catholics—roughly the same parecentage as Catholic membership of the RUC.

Lord THURLOW'S SON DIES IN THAMES

Lord Thurlow, Governor-General of the Bahamas from 1968-1972, spoke yesterday about his 22-year-old youngest son Peter Cuming-Bruce, whose body was recovered from the Thames at Cholsey, Oxfordshire, on Tuesday.

He disappeared from the nearby Fairmile psychiatric hospital on Friday and police began a search after a report of a man struggling in the river.

At his home at Mapledurham, near Reading, Lord Thurlow said: "As a boy he was with us abroad, and he then went to Shrewsbury school. He was a cheerful and promising lad, about to work for a place at Oxford. Then about six years ago he contracted schizophrenia and had since been in Guy's Hospital and a hospital in Surrey before being admitted to the Fairmile Hospital."

INLA FEUD IRA contacts ban

KENNETH CLARKE writes: Yet another vicious upheaval in the Irish National Liberation Army is believed to be under way. It has developed to the level of a hit list being compiled by the leadership.

All contact has been forbidden with the Provisional IRA or other republican groups, which are not regarded as sufficiently Left-wing, and which the INLA believes to be vulnerable to informers.

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EEC to subsidise landscapes

By GODFREY BROWN
Agriculture Correspondent in Brussels

A SUBSTANTIAL move expected to safeguard some favourite British landscape areas was taken on a British initiative by E E C Agriculture Minister in Brussels early yesterday after more than 18 hours' continuous negotiation.

It is a move to safeguard landscapes from being spoiled by hedge removal, drainage and other much-criticised features of modern intensive arable farming.

Mr Jopling, Agriculture Minister, told a 4 a.m. Press conference in Brussels yesterday the move was a British initiative. It was a major step forward, and he knew it would be welcomed by environmentalists in Britain.

Legislation would be necessary before some parts of the farm package could be implemented in Britain.

The deal will also give Britain for the first time the ability to pay grants for developing tourism and craft industries on farms in the hill areas.

"We do intend to do this to encourage the diversification of farm businesses," Mr Jopling said.

The Ministers agreed a comprehensive, five-year £3·15 billion package of aid measures to modernise European agriculture, which will for the first time, however, enable the Government to pay subsidies to farmers in "environmentally sensitive" areas.

The subsidy will be to maintain traditional livestock farming and resist the temptation to plough and drain the land to produce still more cereals to add to the E E C grain mountain.

National schemes

The deal authorises member countries to introduce special national schemes in areas of recognised importance from an ecological and landscape point-of-view to contribute to "farm production practices compatible with conserving the natural habitat and ensuring an adequate income for farmers."

Governments' (i.e. taxpayers') money can be paid to farmers who undertake to farm these environmentally important areas "so as to preserve or improve their environment."

Farmers have to undertake that there will be no further intensification of farm production. E E C countries have to notify the Commission of all such prospective schemes and give a list of the areas qualifying for such aid.

The sort of areas that could benefit are the Halvergate marshes in Norfolk and the Somerset levels. Up to now they have been excluded from the livestock subsidies available to hill farmers. In due course Common Market cash is likely to be available to help finance the new schemes.

The "farm structures package" provides Community backing for the farm capital grant arrangements in Britain, part-paid for from E E C funds.

The grants will in future be much simpler to administer and will be focused more on the needs of smaller farmers, who to qualify will have to spend half their working time in agriculture and get at least half their income from agriculture.

Farm grants will also be tailored to take account of the realities of the market place, so that they do not lead to modernisation schemes that simply swell the Community's food surpluses.

Young farmers, defined as those under 40, will also be eligible for financial help, half-paid for by the E E C, to start in agriculture.

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SCRAPPING OF BNOC 'SURRENDER TO THATCHER'

By PETER PRYKE Parliamentary Correspondent

ENERGY MINISTERS were accused by Labour MPs in the Commons yesterday of having surrendered to the Prime Minister in abandoning their support for the continuance of the British National Oil Coropration.

The announcement by Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minister of State, Energy, that BNOC is to be abolished and some of its functions taken over by a new agency, was described as "disgraceful" by Mr EDWARD ROWLANDS from the Labour Front Bench.

Mr BUCHANAN-SMITH said that BNOC had ceased to be of value in helping to stabilise oil prices because of a change in market conditions.

But Mr ROWLANDS said that energy ministers, in a recent review, had reaffirmed their faith in the vital part the corporation could play.

Referring to a review conducted from the Prime Minister's office, he said: "On a major aspect of energy policy the department has been taken over by the Prime Minister's Policy Unit."

Describing Mr Buchanan-Smith as having been an honourable supporter of BNOC in the past, he said: "You should now resign."

Hope of lower prices

Mr BUCHANAN-SMITH replied: "This decision is my decision and that of the Energy Secretary (Mr Peter Walker) with the agreement of my colleagues. I have received no advice or recommondations from the Policy Unit."

The decision was welcomed by most Conservatives as likely to bring about lower oil prices in the short term.

Mr DAVID HEATHCOAT-AMORY (C., Wells) said there should be a short-term weakening in the price of oil and this was good news for British industry and jobs.

Mr BUCHANAN-SMITH made no prediction about the likely effects of abolition on the price of oil but declared: "Given the firmness of this decision I hope the market will settle down pretty quickly."

In his statement, the Minister said that BNOC had traditionally operated by purchasing and selling oil under term contracts at prices fixed for months ahead. Its purchases under participation contracts had enabled the corporation to make a contribution to stability of markets in the short term.

Trend to spot deals

There had now been a major change in the structure of the oil market away from term contracts and towards spot and similar short-term transactions. This trend was unlikely to be reversed in the near future.

"In these circumstances BNOC could avoid the risk of losses only by linking its prices for participation oil closely and continuously to movements in the spot market.

"Such a system would mean that BNOC could no longer contribute to stability in the market."

The Government had concluded that there was no advantage in retaining BNOC in its present form operating on that basis, and that it should no longer purchase oil by exercising its options under participation agreements.

But the Government considered it essential to retain powers that would enhance security of supply if that proved to be necessary. They would therefore retain the participation agreements themselves so that they could activate them to have access to those oil supplies should the need arise.

Final act of vandalism

The establishment of a small Government oil and pipelines agency would enable this function to be continued, and the agency would also be responsible for the disposal of oil received as royalty in kind from continental shelf licencees, and for management for the Government of the government oil pipeline system.

Legislation to abolish BNOC and to establish the new agency would be introduced in the present Parliamentary session.

Mr ROWLANDS said that abolition was the final act of vandalism begun with the dismantling of the successful and profitable BNOC. Labour would oppose the legislation "tooth and nail," and in government would re-establish a national oil corporation to safeguard and develop precious oil resources.

Some MPs were concerned about the effects on sterling of a possible lower oil price.

Mr PATRICK McNAIR-WILSON (C. New Forest) asked if Opec had been consulted about the decision, and expressed fears that it might pave the way for a major price war —"with all that might mean for sterling."

"It is in the national interest to keep an orderly oil market," he said.

Mr BUCHANAN-SMITH said that Opec had not been consulted, but the decision would be "well understood." What it did was to accept the realities of the changed situation.

Mr DAVID HOWELL, a former Conservative Energy Secretary, criticised the role of BNOC in seeking to stabilise prices. He said the existence of a quasi-official price for North Sea oil had created great difficulties for the Government.

Scrapping the corporation would help oil prices to settle down, bringing benefits to sterling and consumers.

'TAPPING' BILL GETS SECOND READING

By Our Parliamentary Staff

The Government had a majority of 103 at the end of the debate on the Bill to provide a statutory framework for interception of telephone calls or letters.

As reported in later editions of THE DAILY TELEGRAPH yesterday, a Labour amendment declining to give the Bill a second reading was defeated by 278 votes to 175. The Bill was then given an unopposed second reading.

Winding up the debate, Mr WADDINGTON, Home Affairs Minister, announced that a new director-general of MI5, the security agency at the centre of the row over alleged illegal telephone tapping, was to be appointed from outside the service.

TRANSPORT POST

Mr Ridley, Transport Secretary, has appointed Mr Richard Allan, 37, of the Transport Department's Railways Directorate, to be his principal private secretary. He succeeds Miss Dinah Nichols, 41.

'Wrong target' fear over leak to 'Times'

By WILLIAM WEEKES Parliamentary Staff

AN alleged "leak" to the TIMES of a draft report by a Commons committee on the special branches of the police should be investigated as a possible breach of Parliamentary privilege, the Commons decided yesterday.

Labour Members who spoke in debate were mostly against the complaint being sent to the powerful Committee of Privileges, arguing that it would serve no useful purpose.

But the motion was approved by 268 votes to 109, a majority in favour of 159.

Although he supported the motion from the Labour Front Bench, Mr ALAN WILLIAMS gave a warning of the danger that MPs could end up condemning the wrong target.

The newspaper was fulfilling its role of publishing the news as it saw it and obtained it, he said.

Culprit 'skulking'

"The real culprit is probably one of us—an MP.

"It is a pity the culprit is in danger of going scot free, skulking dishonourably behind the hope that the journalists will conduct themselves with greater honour in not disclosing his name than he conducted himself in disclosing the contents of the report.

"Whoever is responsible is not just lacking in personal courage but also lacking consideration for his or her colleagues in this House.

"In the process of indulging in his own decision to ignore the rules of the House, he or she has cast doubts on the integrity of everyone else who had access to those documents —not just members of the (Home Affairs) committee, but servants of the House."

An article in the TIMES diary suggested that the draft report was a "whitewash" on the operations of the Special Branch.

Difficult subject

Moving to have the matter referred to the Committee of Privileges, Sir EDWARD GARDNER, chairman of the Home Affairs Select Committee, said that on Feb. 20 his draft report was issued to the 11 members of the committee and no-one else.

The committee had yet to consider the draft report on this "highly sensitive and difficult subject," but a summary appeared in the TIMES on March 6 under the heading "Special clearance."

Sir Edward, who is Conservative MP for Fylde, said the Times story admitted that the report had been "leaked to the diary."

Mr BRIAN SEDGEMORE (Lab, Hackney S and Shoreditch) said it was absurd to be getting into the ridiculous position of taking journalists to the Committee of Privileges and using this "great steamroller" to deny the freedom of the Press.

Sir IAN GILMOUR, the former Conservative Minister, said the Commons made a fool of itself whenever it got on its high horse on a matter of privilege.

Miss CLARE SHORT (Lab., Ladywood) a member of the Home Affairs Select Committee, said there was nothing in the leak which brought the committee into disrepute or put pressure on anyone.

Way McCarthy worked

Another member of the committee, Mr ROBIN CORBETT (Lab., Erdington) who is a journalist, said he had no intention of either saying he did or did not make any alleged leak to the TIMES.

"This is not a court. This is not a court martial. We are not here for that purpose. That is the way in which a gentleman called McCarthy worked in America. We are taking ourselves far too seriously."

Mr BIFFEN, Leader of the House, supported reference to the Committee of Privileges, but warned against arousing "expectations which cannot conceivably be fulfilled."

He told MPs: "I suspect that gone for ever are those days when John Junor (the Editor of the SUNDAY EXPRESS) stood at the Bar of the House to be admonished by a suitably outraged House of Commons.

[Mr Junor was rebuked for claiming that MPs received preferential treatment over Suez petrol coupons].

ACAS ROLE CHANGE REJECTED

A BACKBENCH Bill to scrap the statutory duty of the conciliation service Acas to promote the extension of collective bargaining failed in the Commons yesterday.

MPs rejected an attempt by Mr Tony Baldry (C., Banbury) to introduce the measure, under the Ten Minute rule, by 118 votes to 96, a majority of 22.

Among those who condemned the Bill was Mr MICHAEL FOOT, former Labour leader, who, as Employment Secretary, was responsible for establishing Acas in 1975.

"It would be a really shocking way to deal with an institution which has made and does make a considerable contribution to good industrial relations in this country," he said.

The Government would cause "considerable injury" to the independent status of the service if it supported the measure, he said.

'Partisan' claim

Mr BALDRY, secretary of the Tory backbench employment committee, maintained that the present constitution of ACAS was "partisan and anachronistic."

"Many employees now understand that their interests are best served by real increases in pay as a result of higher productivity and by acquiring new skills," he said.

"Both sides of industry, traditionally pitted against each other as adversaries, are increasingly recognising that common interest is best served by co-operation."

Acas should be given a new statutory duty to promote the improvement of industrial relations by closer consultation and co-operation at the workplace, Mr Baldry insisted.

'Hideous yellow rash' will not be checked

THE Government refused yesterday to intervene over plans by British Telecom to scrap Britain's red telephone boxes in favour of yellow American-style open kiosks.

In the Lords, Lord BRUCE OF DONINGTON (Lab) called on the Government to act to stop the spread of "this hideous yellow rash over the country."

And Baroness CARNEGNY OF LOUR (C) said the old red call boxes designed by Sir Giles Scott should be listed, like some pillar boxes had been, instead of demolished wholesale.

Baroness MACLEOD OF BORVE (C) urged British Telecom to keep the old red boxes because she said, unlike yellow, red could be seen in thick fog.

But Lord BRABAZON OF TARA, for the Government, replied that "the Government had no plans to discuss the changes with BT. It was entirely a matter for the company.

"The new boxes are going to be mainly of glass, but they will however, be better than the existing boxes and should be more visible," he added.

5-year curb on overseas voting rights attacked

By WALTER ABURN Parliamentary Staff

BRITISH citizens working abroad welcomed Government acceptance of the principle that they should have the right to vote even if they had no residence on the qualifying date, said Baroness ELLES, a European MP, in the Lords yesterday.

It was a faltering step in the direction taken years ago by the United States, France, Italy and other countries whose citizens could vote whether they lived in their country or not.

But she regretted that those who had lived abroad for more than five years on that qualifying date did not get a vote.

Many British citizens would fee lfrustrated, disappointed and embittered that the Palace of Westminster, held up as a shining example as the seat of democracy, had not gone further.

Lady Elles was speaking when peers gave a second reading to the Representation of the People Bill.

Rights 'deprived'

She said laws passed in Britain affected the interests of such citizens. Many of them did not go abroad voluntarily but as employees of British firms.

Their work contributed to British prosperity and their place of residence was a total irrelevance. These were people deprived of the right to vote despite continuing links with the country where they were born.

Within the EEC British officials were the only nationals deprived of voting rights. Yet they were expected to work loyally for Britain. The Bill required amendment to protect their fundamental rights as citizens.

Lord MISHCON (Lab) welcomed changes which gave holidaymakers the right to register their votes.

'Freak' candidates

But the questioned whether it was sensible to include expatriates who lived abroad to escape paying taxes or those who had fled the country to escape our criminal courts.

He thought increasing election deposits to £500 was a wrong way to decide between "genuine" and freak" parliamentary candidates.

Lord Mishcon said that increasing the number of people required to support nomination would be much more sensible.

Condemning the use of election meetings by Fascist candidates for vicious racial purposes, he urged that a proportion of unoccupied seats ought to be freely available to the public unless they were attending in a deliberate attempt to break up the meeting.

The National Front should not be free to use demonstrations and marches to terrify racial minorities or inflame other racial prejudices.

In urging electoral reform Lord TORDOFF (Lib) said the present Government had been formed by a minority party which was seriously over-represented while the Alliance parties, also minority parties, were seriously under-represented.

Lord ALLEN of ABBEYDALE (Ind) joined Lord Mishcon in a call to allow long-stay voluntary patients to use the mental hospitals where they lived as the qualifying address which they were required to have before they could record a vote.

EXTRA £2·5m FOR COLLEGES

Scientific and technological research at polytechnics and colleges of higher education is to be given a £2·5 million boost. Sir Keith Joseph, Education Secretary, announced in a Commons written reply yesterday.

He said he was accepting the advice of the National Advisory Body on the allocation of the funds. The money will be distributed to a total of 21 institutions with allocations ranging from £75,000 to £150,000.

Today in Parliament

HOUSE OF LORDS

3: Hongkong Bill, committee: Administration of Justice Bill, repeat: Weights and measures (solid Fuel) (Carriage by Rail) (Admt) Order.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

2.30: Debate on Industrial Support (Dept. of Energy) Estimate: Debate on Report from the Foreign Affairs Committee on the Falkland Islands: Cinemas Bill, proceedings.

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Please telephone or write with relevant career details, quoting ref. to Sue Godfrey, Personnel Department, THORN EMI Electronics Limited, Defence Systems Division, Victoria Road, Feltham, Middlesex. Telephone: 01-890 3600, ext. 2325.

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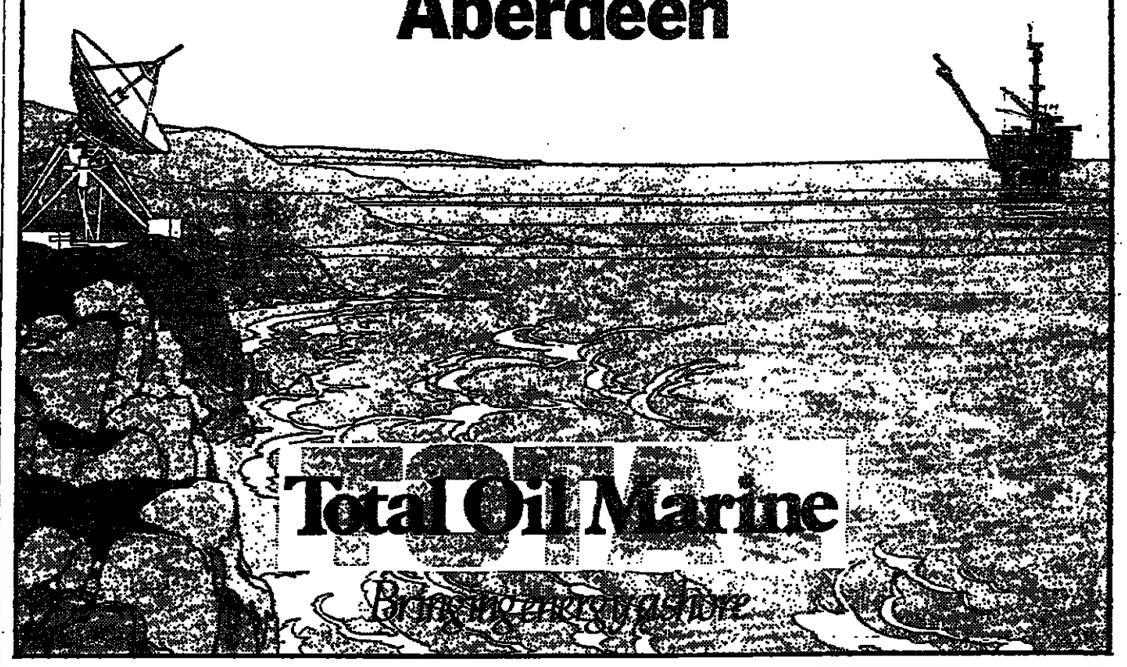

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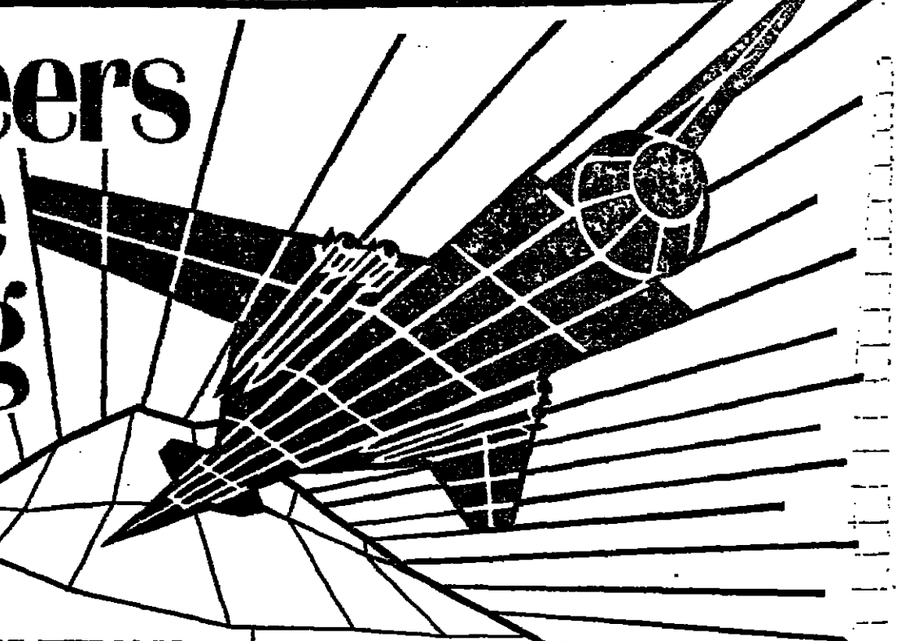

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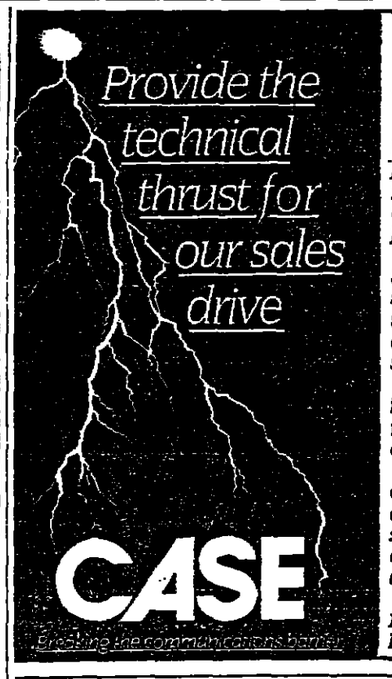

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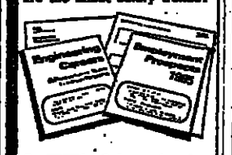

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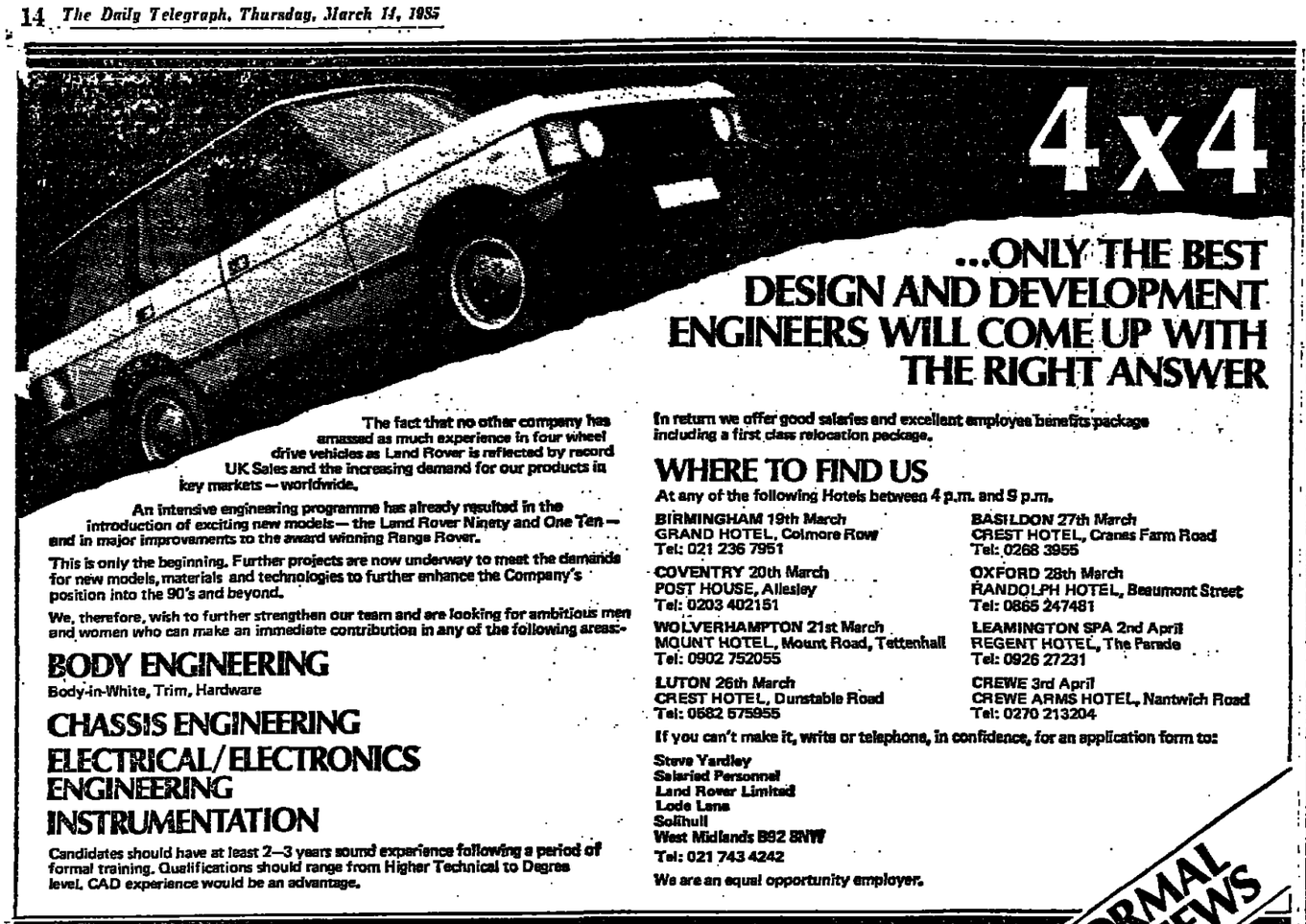

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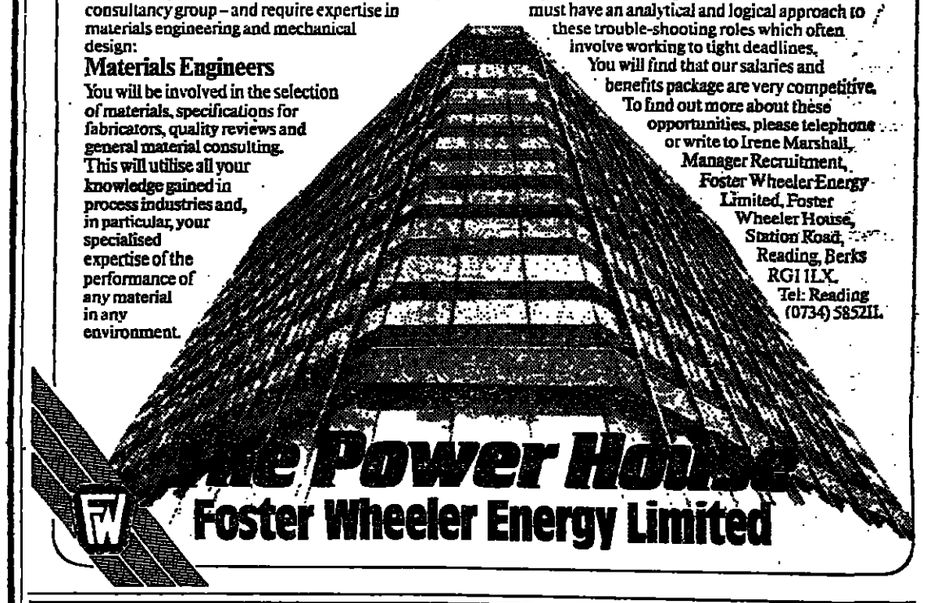

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THE ARTS

THEATRE / Deadlines

Hot air and principles

A LIVELY and entertaining view of journalists at work, "Deadlines," at the Theatre Upstairs, perpetuates the idea that the job requires most of them to be flip, wise-cracking and sexually casual. But it digs a lot deeper than that.

Set firmly and precisely in a Yorkshire mining community during 1984, Stephen Wakelam's comedy shows a local radio station's zeal in pursuing small local stories (four ducklings stuck in a lift) and its cynical approach to big ones, and especially to the hot-air emanating from both Blackpool's Labourites and Brighton's Conservatives at their annual conferences.

The central character, played by Kathryn Pogson — with rather too much thrusting of her undoubted alure—is a naive but ambitous radio reporter. She wins an unlikely scoop, an interview with the sister of an 16-year-old boy suicide victim. The woman insists, but cannot prove, he left a note blaming his death on his inability to get a job.

Wholly believing in the story, the reporter uses it to promote her own career with the B B C in London. A brilliantly staged scene takes us back-stage during the broadcast of a B B C-T V news programme that features the suicide case. But a new twist is added, a colliery manager declares the boy was an unemployable layabout. Is this witness motivated by political prejudice?—And was the boy's sister using his death to attack government policies?

As usual, *Joint Stock* has researched the background with care. The play gives a pretty fair idea of the dangers of the journalists' work: the often apalling facilities, the help they give apprentices and colleagues, the pressures which lead some to cheat a little if it will make a much-needed story stand up, and the difficulty of assessing the real truth.

In cheeky asides, Robert Maxwell presents a gormless bingo player with a million pounds, and a smooth gossip columnist gives a self-serving interview after escaping the Brighton bomb. To balance the comedy, one serious character refuses to print a young tear-away's confession, because it would land him in jail. Journalists are not as unprincipled as they like to pretend.

The characters are mostly types but they are hit off capitally by a cast of six playing many roles. A new young director, Simon Curtis, makes a promising debut.

John Barber

Kathryn Pogson in "Deadlines" at the Royal Court Theatre Upstairs.

Bringing the house down

FOR ITS production of David Storey's new play at Huddersfield, the Century Theatre Company has built an old fashioned proscenium arch round the stage of the Venn Street arts centre. This is a former school but the arch looks so theatrically *real*—perhaps the most convincing part of the whole evening—that I took it on a first visit to belong to the auditorium. And the company is so pleased with its authenticity (designer Candida Boyes) that the local authority has been invited to buy it. Which seems at the beginning of this promising evening ironically apt, for "Phoenix" is all about a subsidised provincial theatre in an industrial town which is about to be demolished by the civic powers that be.

At any rate, that is how it starts out. And what could be more topical than its director's last-ditch action against the Philistine bureaucrats, to blow up the place before they do?

Have such thoughts ever entered Sir Peter Hall's mind? The argument feels potentially exciting. But for some reason Mr Storey's pugnacious hero who was always in trouble for staging stuff which the natives couldn't understand ceases to talk about the cultural importance of the drama and receives, pretty grudgingly, visits by people from his stormy domestic past.

They are far less interesting and far too typical to be worthy of Mr Storey's talent. The director's wife, for example, is being let out for the day from mental hospital with a supply of pills. We can believe that he drove her mad. His former mistress, now a film star, is suing him for the return of a dog, whom she loved more than him. We never meet the dog. But we do meet other characters who clutter the action and seldom throw light on the aggressive protagonist.

It is a short, intelligent, watchable play, but it isn't very intelligible because it goes off at half-cock. We get only a glimpse of this collier's son's integrity behind the fierceness as he fights for his private and professional life—though Michael Keating's acting carries plenty of impact.

In fact, it is the sort of play this *punch-drunk director* might have staged in his defiance of easy popularity. But the stage can't cope with so many people and motives in a couple of hours: and though the evening's ironies are to be relished as we wonder what the author means and who his hero really is, the picture of a character at the end of his artistic tether never comes properly to life. The director is Paul Gibson.

Eric Shorter

TELEVISION / Brass Tacks

Coal as a religion

AS GRANADA's "Television" was noting the other night, TV doesn't only reportevents, it sometimes influences them. Fair enough, provided the viewer is made fully aware of what is happening, not allowed to suppose that the cameras just happened to be there.

The excellent **Brass Tacks** (BBC-2) left little room for doubting that last night's unlikely confrontation between Cecil Parkinson and Mrs Doris Williams had come about purely at their instigation. Mr Parkinson has achieved some fame as a former Cabinet minister: Mrs Williams is a salt-of-the-earth Welsh matriarch, mother of and (Mr MacGregor *willing*) grandmother of miners, who made her TV debut last autumn in a "Day in the Life Of . . ." programme about the miners' strike. Her sex prohibits her from hewing coal with her own hands but, as she remarked: "I think coal must be in the blood."

Accompanied by her son, daughter, son-in-law and grandson, Mrs Williams came to London to talk to Mr P about the year long conflict and its aftermath. It was not, one has to admit, an occasion which produced much meeting of minds. Nor—thanks in part, no doubt, to the steadying influence of the B B C's Colin Morris, who acted as moderator—was it merely one of those TV exercises in mutual abrasion.

Mr Parkinson proclaimed the Government's total commitment to a strong coal industry, while explaining that it was necessary just now to go through a "difficult period." The William's closed ranks on the sanctity of coalmining communities in general and the Rhondda in particular: "You regard people as facts and figures, we regard them as human beings" accused the youngest of the clan tellingly if unfairly.

It was a classic case of pragmatic technology versus entrenched emotional commitment: almost, of agnosticism versus religious fervour. If neither side convinced the other, at least they listened. Mr Parkinson, I thought, emerged from the encounter with his personal status enhanced; Mrs Williams, proud, she told him, to have marched behind her family in the ritual return to work last week, came out as she went in, the kind of Briton who would have stood on the 1940 beaches with Churchill and waved defiance at the Stukas until she or they were overwhelmed.

Richard Last

MUSIC / Park Lane Group

Lindsay Quartet

IT WAS five years ago that the Park Lane Group launched what has now become a firmly established *annual series of concerts* devoted to the modern British string quartet. Since then they have already included as many as 45 works, representing a healthily undogmatic variety of style, idiom and creative inclination, from the safely conservative to the most radical and daringly speculative.

At the centre of the second concert of this year's series, given by the Lindsay Quartet at the **Purcell Room** on Tuesday night, were two pieces which, in their sharply contrasted reactions, neatly crystallised this unbiased diversity.

Characteristic of its composer's concentrated economy, and the tautly sustained democratic interplay of her quartet writing was the 12th string quartet, dating from 1979, of Elizabeth Maconchy. Though tending towards the bracingly tough and gritty in the cut and thrust of its musical ideas, it never went beyond a balanced, well made decorum, its progress carefully plotted to make its slow third movement its natural centre of gravity.

A much more maverick temperament was displayed, on the other hand, by the string quartet of 1985 of Geoffrey Poole, its three strangely assorted movements formed out of an entire thesaurus of smartly fashionable devices, its mosaic-like patterns lapsing all too easily into raw rhetorical gestures.

Dissipating its interest long before it had exhausted the potential of its underlying ideas, it could well have benefitted from some of that creative discipline which makes so engrossing the third string quartet of Michael Tippett, and whose ecstatically heightened lyricism and intricately dancing rhythms and textures were vividly held by all four players in a performance of rapt committment.

Robert Henderson

LSO gala concert

HOW CAN the L S O and its music director, Claudio Abbado, have allowed it? I refer to Jack Brymer's vacuous and ill-informed *introduction to* Tuesday night's gala concert at the Barbican in aid of the L S O trust. It was certainly no help to the audience which had already paid £1 a copy for a programme that contained not a word about the music.

Happily, there was plenty to admire in the performances. Most accomplished and exciting, very properly, was the orchestral playing under Abbado. Inspiriting accounts of the overtures to "The Force of Destiny" and "The Sicilian Vespers" confirmed, if confirmation was needed, that Abbado remains the leading Verdian of the day.

*His contributions to four well-*known arias only proved the point. Three were from "Don Carlos." His phrasing of the prelude to Elisabetta's "Tu che le vanita" must have been an inspiration to Katia Ricciarelli, who lived up to her current Covent Garden form with her sensitively moulded and deeply felt singing.

Samuel Ramey was no less eloquent in King Philip's scena, sung with rounded tone but not any very individual accent. Tatiana Troyanos, on the other hand, was totally committed to Eboli's desperate "O don fatale" not an easily vocalised interpretation but one pulsating with theatrical life.

Thomas Allen was just as involving in Ford's monologue, delivered with superb elan, just the quality another baritone, Hermann Prey, brought to "*Largo al factotum*," though here the effort in delivery was too obvious.

The operatic theme was tenuously maintained in Salvatore Accardo's silvery but impersonal performance of Sarasate's tawdry "Fantasy on Carmen." Abbado and the orchestra rounded off the evening with Ravel's more meritorious "La Valse" a virtuoso piece for the whole orchestra which showed the L S O full of vitality in its 80th year.

Alan Blyth

DANCE / London City Ballet

ONE OF the strangest features of the era of the Romantic ballet, in the middle of the 19th century, was that no choreographer made use of the outstanding romantic talent of Berlioz. So André Prokovsky showed good sense and imagination in using the "Romeo and Juliet" music of Berlioz—excluding the vocal passages—as the basis for his admirably constructed one-act ballet "Romeo and Juliet," performed on Tuesday night at the Theatre Royal, Brighton, by London City Ballet.

By its nature, ballet is a highly condensed theatrical form able to project in a few minutes what might take an hour or more in an opera or play, and Prokovsky has shown his keen awareness of the potentialities of choreography by presenting the essence of the story — excluding such figures as Lord and Lady Montague, Lord and Lady Capulet, the Nurse and many others.

After the early scenes, in which the action is punctuated by crisp, well composed group dances, Juliet establishes herself clearly in a solo, and this merges into the balcony scene: a long, passionate pas de deux, well danced and acted by Natasha Middleton as Juliet and Carl Morrow as Romeo. From then on these two carry the main weight of the ballet.

At the end, Berlioz broke away from the Shakespeare story, arranging for Juliet to recover consciousness before the death of Romeo, and Prokovsky makes something fascinating out of the final pas de deux of the lovers—with the joyful Juliet unaware of the fast-approaching death of her beloved.

Peter Farmer's backcloth, with a poetic set of arches and domes rising out of a pattern of squares in receding perspective or else looking very mysterious as they rise out of blackness in moonlight, adds much to the impact of the ballet: for once the work of the choreographer and the designer is perfectly in harmony.

Fernau Hall

ART / Roger de Grey

AN OPPORTUNITY to see the work of the new President of the Royal Academy, Roger de Grey, is provided by a small gallery on the outskirts of Guildford. The **Jonleigh Gallery**, Wonersh, is until April 13 showing 10 paintings by him and examples of other Royal Academicians.

The journey to Wonersh is more than worthwhile, for Roger de Grey is an artist who has won through and is today painting extremely well. The Jonleigh Gallery, which is open from Wednesdays to Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., has done well to choose pictures by him, most of them on loan, ranging back over 10 years

All are landscapes revealing a clear understanding of the achievements of abstract art. More relevant is an appreciation of what Cézanne was about, for de Grey knows how to convey the structure of a landscape and how to compose a picture with authority. This is very much the painting of the knowing artist.

Not that the thought which has gone into these paintings is immediately apparent. The first impression is of colour, which is soft, subtle, muted and cool. Here is an ideal foil to firm design. It is good that the Royal Academy should again have a president who is not just an administrator and a public figure, but is also a fine artist. Roger de Grey's painting is both logical and refreshes the soul.

While the downstairs room at the Jonleigh Gallery is devoted to Roger de Grey, upstairs there are paintings by other familiar Royal Academicians. Among them are Frederick Cuming, Frederick Gore, Peter Greenham, Ken Howard and Carel Weight. The little paintings by Carel Weight are particularly effective.

Terence Mullaly

JAZZ /

Lyttelton and band

VETERANS? Perennial figures? The problem is how best to describe Humphrey Lyttelton's band and its constituent members without creating the impression that they have been around for a long time—which in all truth, most of them have.

But that is not to gainsay the quality of Lyttelton's music for what a splendid moveable feast it is with the leader himself playing superb strong trumpet lead closely followed by the "strong men" of his front line — Bruce Turner and John Barnes—on stage at the **Bull's Head, Barnes.**

Indeed, it was Turner whose alto saxophone sounded so authoritative and forceful on "Doggin' Around," a real Lyttelton vehicle if there ever was one, which featured the leader himself hunched into a scorching solo.

It was Turner yet again who starred on a beautifully played ballad, "Blue Room" — again, good solid playing and the kind of varied fare which the Lyttelton band is renowned for.

I particularly liked Mick Pyne's convoluted piano introduction which led into the brief, unmistakable, opening bars of "Rocking in Rhythm." This was a good chance for Lyttelton and his men—plunger mutes much in evidence here—to lay on the jazz theatricals. Anyway, they did Ellington proud.

Anthony Hopkins

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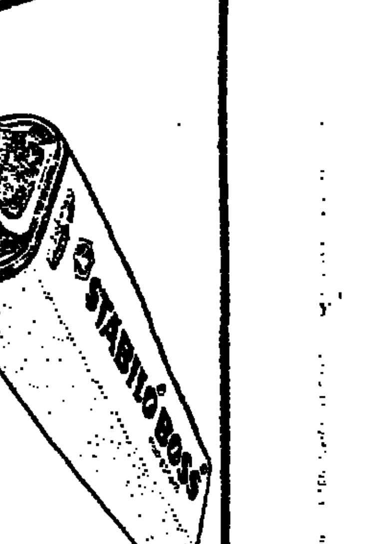

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Court Circular

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, March 13.

Mr S. F. St. C. Duncan was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Republic of Malta.

Mrs Duncan had the honour of being received by Her Majesty.

Sir Robert Bellinger had the honour of being received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Gentleman Usher of the Purple Rod of the the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and delivered up to Her Majesty the Insignia of Office.

Sir Robin Gillett had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as Gentleman Usher of the Purple Rod of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire when Her Majesty handed to him the Insignia of Office.

The Lord Rhodes had an audience of The Queen.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this morning visited the National Heart Hospital, Westmoreland treet, W.1. where Her Royal Highness was received by Mr Graeme Bennett (Honorary Consultant Cardiac Surgeon).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Chancellor of the University of London, this afternoon attended a Presentation Ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall, where Her Royal Highness was received by the Vice-Chancellor (Professor Sir Randolph Quirk).

Mrs Malcolm Innes was in attendance.

The Queen was represented by His Excellency Sir Iain Sutherland (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Moscow) at the State Funeral of Mr Konstantin Chernenko (Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) which was held in Red Square, Moscow, this afternoon.

KENSINGTON PALACE, March 13.

The Duke of Gloucester, Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Pioneer Corps, this afternoon received Brigadier F. J. Lucas on relinquishing the appointment of Director of Army Pioneers and Labour and Brigadier H. J. Hickman on assuming the appointment.

The Duchess of Gloucester was present today at a Court and Ladies' Luncheon given by The Worshipful Company of Vintners at theVintners' Hall, Upper Thames Street, London, E.C.4. In the evening Her Royal Highness attended the premiere of the film "Carmen" organised by The Order of St John Musical Society, in aid of St John's Ambulance—London District, at the Lumiere Cinema, St Martin's Lane, London, W.1.

Mrs Howard Page was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE, March 13.

The Duke of Kent, as Grand Master, was present at the Quarterly Communication of the United Grand Lodge of England at Freemasons' Hall, W.C.2.

His Royal Highness was attended by Sir Richard Buckley.

The Duchess of Kent today opened the Clifton Hill Sports Centre and the Exeter and Devon Arts Centre, and later, as Patron of the Spastics Society, visited Vranch House, Exeter.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs Alan Henderson.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Colonel-in-Chief of the Queen's Own Hussars, will attend the regiment's tercentenary celebrations at Catterick Camp on May 14.

A memorial service for the Earl of Birkenhead will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, at noon on Friday, March 22.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir Emile Littler will be held on Thursday, March 21, at noon at St Martin-in-the-Fields.

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Jeremy Peyton-Jones will be held at the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street, London, W.1, on Tuesday, March 26 at 11.30 a.m.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Dame Margaret Kidd, Q.C, is 85 today; Lord Keyes is 66; the Hon. Alan Hare 66; Air Chief Marshal Sir Douglas Lowe 65; Sir Kenneth Alexander 63; Mr P. J. Elton 61; Mr John Wain 60; Lord Marsh 57; Sir Richard Parsons 57; Mr Michael Caine 52; Miss Rita Tushingham 43; and the Earl of Halifax 41.

Forthcoming Marriages

Mr S. H. Scott-Barrett and Miss P. A. Chope

The engagement is announced between Simon, second son of Lieutenant General Sir David and Lady Scott-Barrett, of Hall House, Kersey, Ipswich, Suffolk, and Penelope, elder daughter of Judge and Mrs Robert Chope, of Carclew House, Perranarworthal, Truro, Cornwall.

Capt M. W. G. Martin and Capt J. C. Brown, Q.A.R.A.N.C.

The engagement is announced between Michael Martin, The Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment, elder son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs M. J. G. Martin, of Kensington and Durweston, Dorset, and Jill Brown, Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps, daughter of the late Mr L. C. Brown and Mrs P. Brown, of Ringmer, Sussex.

Mr B. S. Griffin and Miss J. L. Fricker

The engagement is announced between Bernard, younger son of Mrs B. Griffin and the late Mr S. C. Griffin, of The Chase, Wooburn Common, and Jane, younger daughter of Colonel (Retd.) and Mrs John Fricker, of Berghers Hill, Wooburn Common, Bucks.

Mr R. Moyle and Miss A. E. F. Holmden

The engagement is announced between Robert, only son of Major and Mrs Terence Moyle, of Old Dalby, Leicestershire, and Alexandra, only daughter of the late Mr James Holmden and of Mrs Kittie Holmden, of Gillingham, Kent.

Mr M. C. G. Reddington and Miss C. Waller

The engagement is announced between Marcus Christian Gaunt, son of the Reverend Gerald and Mrs Reddington, of Hampstead, London, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Waller, of Knockholt, Kent.

Mr J. M. Roche and Miss S. J. Chester

The engagement is announced between Justin, youngest son of Dr and Mrs G. K. T. Roche, of Kingston Hill, Surrey, and Sandra, third daughter of Dr and Mrs P. F. Chester, of Woking, Surrey.

Mr N. S. Steel and Miss M. A. Musselwhite

The engagement is announced between Nigel Spencer, only son of Dr and Mrs Robin Steel, of Worcester, and Marion, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Frank Musselwhite, of Westerham, Kent.

Mr D. C. Gaunt and Miss S. J. Booth

The engagement is announced between David, younger son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Gaunt, of Mayfield, Edlington, Horncastle, Lincs., and Sallie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Booth, of Ranby Hall, Lincoln.

Mr J. G. Hunt and Miss J. R. Wood

The engagement is announced between John Graham, younger son of Mr and Mrs Norman Hunt, of Ashtead, Surrey, and Jocelyn Rowena, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter R. Wood, of Broxbourne, Hertfordshire.

Mr M. Pritchard and Miss B. L. Gascoyne

The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of the late Mr G. Pritchard and of Mrs J. Pritchard, of Cuffley, Herts., and Bridget, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Anthony Gascoyne, of Tenbury Wells, Worcestershire.

Mr A. R. Rudell and Mrs M. A. Hughes

The engagement is announced between Anthony (Roundy) Rudell, only son of Mr and Mrs Justin Rudell, of Edgbaston, Birmingham, and Maureen (Mo) Hughes, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Ken Pratt, of Walsall, West Midlands.

Mr P. D. Sheerin and Miss J. Wildmun

The engagement is announced between Paul Dominic, elder son of His Honour Judge and Mrs Sheerin, of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Raymond Wildmun, of Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire.

Mr J. Fulcher and Miss W. D. Moffatt

The engagement is announced between John Fulcher and Wendy, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. P. Moffatt.

Mr C. E. Drayson and Mrs G. P. Walton

The engagement is announced of Colin Drayson, of Farnham, Surrey, to Georgina Walton (née Holmden), of Thursley, Surrey.

Mr A. R. L. Gait and Miss E. Morris

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Albert Gait, of Healing, near Grimsby, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Morris, of Loudwater, Hertfordshire.

SERVICE DINNERS

East Midlands Universities OTC

Lt-Col B. G. G. Nicholson welcomed military and academic guests at the annual dinner of the East Midlands Universities Officers' Training Corps held last night at the Portland Building, Nottingham University. The principal guest was Col S. H. Clark. Major J. A. Blackmore presided and Prof. W. F. Nash was also a speaker.

Tayforth Universities OTC

The Stirling Detachment of the Tayforth Universities Officers' Training Corps held its annual dinner last night at the Sword Hotel, Stirling. The Commanding Officer, Lt-Col Pagan, and Mrs Pagan, were received by the President of the Mess Committee, Mr William Earl.

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TOWNEND, Mrs Kathleen, Elstead, Surrey ... 242,473
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WEDDING

Sir Hugh Lockhart-Mummery and Mrs J. Hoare

Sir Hugh (Lyn) Lockhart-Mummery, of 5, Hereford Square, London, S.W.7. and Mrs Jean Hoare, of Goose Green, Overton, Hants., were married quietly on March 9.

FELSTED SCHOOL

The following awards were made by Felsted School in the 1985 Entrance Scholarships:

Academic and Music Scholarships: P. Cullino (Haileybury Junior School); A. F. Hayes (St John's College School).
Academic Scholarships: M. J. Clarkson (Town Close House); A. J. Martin (Edge Grove); J. E. H. Buston (Felsted Preparatory School); C. D. Jingins (Felsted Preparatory School); P. P. S. Mandair (Alleyn Court); E. R. Caley (Felsted Preparatory School); W. T. C. Secrombe (Lockers Park); J. Edmond (Felsted Preparatory School).
Art and Music Scholarships: B. M. Stainer (Kings School Ely); I. A. Phillips (Felsted Preparatory School).
Art Scholarships: S. P. Walker (Felsted Preparatory School); J. C. Houlding (Alleyn Court); S. Kivotos (Felsted Preparatory School).

QUEENSWOOD SCHOOL

The following Scholarships have been awarded for 1985 by Queenswood School:

First Year Scholarship: Victoria Hanson (Ashdell Preparatory School).
Second Year Scholarship: Rachel Whatley (Rupert House School).
Sixth Form Scholarships: Alexis Fowler (Queenswood); E-Len Su (Queenswood).
Music Scholarship: Catherine Trodd (Stevenage Girls School).

LUNCHEONS

Tallow Chandlers' Company

The Master of the Tallow Chandlers' Company, Mr N. M. Wells, assisted by the Wardens, Lt-Col T. A. Donnelly, Sir Christopher Laidlaw, Mr J. H. Poynter and Mr P. L. Adams, entertained Masters and Clerks of other Livery Companies at Tallow Chandlers' Hall. The Master of the Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators, Capt. K. R. Blevins, was a speaker.

Law Society

The President of the Law Society, Mr Arthur Hoole, was host at a luncheon given yesterday at 60, Carey Street, W.C.2. The guests were:

Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Elwyn-Jones, Mr William Deedes, Sir Robert Armstrong, Mr Alexander Fletcher, M.P., Mr Miller, Mr Herbert Walden, Mrs Rachel Waterhouse, Mr Alan Leslie, Mr Michael Howells and Mr John Bowron.

ST FRANCIS' COLLEGE, LETCHWORTH

The Governors of St Francis' College announce that Lady Stuart-Smith and Miss Nicole Hodgson have accepted invitations to join the Board of Governors. Lady Stuart-Smith was the High Sheriff of Hertfordshire in 1985. Miss Hodgson, formerly Vice-Principal of Newman College, Birmingham, has served as a member of the Board of Catholic Women and also the Women's National Commission.

Receptions

Prime Minister

Mr Denis Thatcher, representing the Prime Minister, was host at a reception held yesterday evening at 10 Downing Street in honour of the overseas delegates to the 34th Parliamentary Seminar of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Lord Mayor of Westminster

The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress of Westminster, Councillor and Mrs John Bull, held a reception last night at City Hall in aid of the Speaker's Appeal for St Margaret's, Westminster.

Veuve Clicquot Champagne

A reception was held yesterday at the Institute of Directors in Pall Mall for the Veuve Clicquot Business Woman of the Year, Mrs Anita Roddick, Founder and Managing Director, the Body Shop International plc. The presentation was made by Sir John Hoskyns, Director-General, the Institute of Directors. Count Louis d'Harcourt, of Veuve Clicquot, and Sir John Hoskyns were the hosts at a luncheon held afterwards.

DINNERS

Middle Temple

The Treasurer, Mr John Mills, Q.C., and the Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple entertained the following guests at dinner on Tuesday, being Grand Day in Easter Term:

The Ambassador of the Netherlands, Lord Marshall of Leeds, Sir Michael Havers, Q.C., Mrs Justice Heilbron, Mr Justice Warner, Dame Mary Donaldson, Dame Cicely Saunders, Judge Sir Ian Lewis, Q.C., Judge Sir William Stabb, Q.C., Sir John Kendrew, Mrs John Mills, Maj.-Gen. J. M. W. Badcock, Miss S. J. Browne, Mrs Sheridan Russell, Mr M. W. McCrum, Mr Arthur Hoole, Mr C. A. McLintock and Rear Adml J. R. Hill.

Holborn Law Society

The Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, who was accompanied by the Hon. Mary Hogg, was principal guest at the 23rd annual dinner of the Holborn Law Society held last night at the Connaught Rooms. The principal speaker was the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Robert Megarry. Mr Paul Gulbenkian, President of the Society, accompanied by Mrs Gulbenkian, presided. Other guests were:

Lord and Lady Templeman, Lord and Lady Boardman, the Master of the Rolls and Dame Mary Donaldson, the President and Lady Havers, Bishop Y. ent of the Family Division, the Attorney Ghirlam, the Chairman of the Bar and Mrs Calcutt, Mr Michael Essayan, Q.C., the President of the Law Society, and Dr Eleanor Hoole, the Chairman of the London Society of Chartered Accountants, and representatives of a number of local law societies.

Canada Club

The High Commissioner for Canada presided at a dinner given last night by the Canada Club at the Savoy in honour of Lord Ezra. The other speakers were Mr Michael Bird and Mr Shridath Ramphal, Q.C., Secretary-General of the Commonwealth.

London Maritime Arbitrators' Association

Lord Justice Mustill and Mr Robert Crawford were guest speakers at the silver jubilee diner of the London Maritime Arbitrators' Association held last night in the Queen's Room of the Baltic Exchange. The President, Mr Michael Summerskill, presided. Other guests were:

Lord Wilberforce, Lord Roskill, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Sir Desmond Ackner, Sir Michael Kerr, Sir Robert Goff, Sir Roger Parker, Sir Anthony Lloyd, Sir Brian Neill, Mr Peter Miller and Mr Carron Greig.

Coningsby Club

The Coningsby Club entertained Mr John Biffen, M P, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Commons, at dinner last night at the Carlton Club. Mr Andrew Stuttaford presided.

Westminster Dining Club

Mrs Elizabeth Peacock, M P, and Mrs Angela Rumbold, M P, were joint hosts at the inaugural dinner of the Westminster Dining Club held last night at the House of Commons. The speakers were Mr John Butcher, M P, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. Mr John Lee, M P, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, Mr John Patten, M P, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, and Mr Giles Shaw, M P, Minister of State for Home Affairs.

WAY OF THE WORLD

A Notable Row

FOR months now Mr Ray Honeyford, headmaster of Drummond Middle School, Bradford, has been persistently hounded for what his enemies call his "racist" views. In fact, Mr Honeyford does not seem to have any views which can reasonably be called "racist" (or, in English, racially prejudiced).

Nearly 90 per cent. of the pupils at his school are of Indian origin and Muslim by religion. All Mr Honeyford has done is point out what can scarcely be denied: that in such a school white pupils are bound to be "disadvantaged."

He holds that if people come from overseas to settle in this country it is best for all concerned if they accept British ways of life, while their own religious and cultural needs continue to be respected in a reasonable way.

But Mr Honeyford's enemies, who have been efficiently organised by left-wing activists, will have none of this. They will have no argument; Mr Honeyford must go.

It is to be hoped for the sake of all concerned and for the sake of the principle of free speech (one of Mr Honeyford's crimes was to write an article in the right-wing SALISBURY REVIEW which was unacceptable to the race relations industry) that Mr Honeyford stays on as headmaster of Drummond Middle School.

This row in Bradford has produced some remarkably silly comments by "anti-racists." One comment which deserves to be remembered for outstanding absurdity occurs in an article in the GUARDIAN by Martin Wainwright, who ought to get a prize of some sort for it:

Mr Honeyford had made some harmless remarks about one Indian parent "straight out of Kipling," whose English sounded like "Peter Sellers's doctor on an off day." Mr Wainwright rebukes him sternly:

"Quips like that were old hat in Bradford at least 20 years before Mr Honeyford took up his post and his approach suggested ignorance of the city's tradition of accepting immigrants' ways. Frederick Delius, for instance, was excused football at Bradford Grammar School in the 1870's because his German father disapproved of it."

How about that?

Sunt Lacrimae Etc.

A SCHOOL caretaker in Northumberland who chased away a gang of pupils and ex-pupils vandalising a classroom later suffered a "reign of terror." Manhole covers were removed at night; tripwires stretched over a staircase; pits dug and fitted with sharpened stakes.

"SUPERGOTH," Chief "Way of the World" Vandal Correspondent, comments: "The lads in the West Midlands Vandals League are in two minds about this. But the general view is that vandalism supported by tactics of this kind is no longer the grand old sport as we have known it.

"A spokesman for Soup Hales Iconoclasts, one of the top league teams, told me yesterday: 'Vandalising classrooms, all right. It looks as if these Northumberland lads done a proper job and you've got to hand it to them. But when you start vandalising people, the sense of art, like, flies out of the broken window.

"'There's no style about it, not like in the old days. If this personal vandalism carry-on spreads, then it's goodbye to the feeling that you're part of an age-old tradition, like, with established rules and penalties.

"'All the same, when I think of those Northumberland lads I can't help feeling, well, sort of chilly and grown old, like. Sort of personally inadequate.' he added, as his face sort of crumpled and he burst into tears."

A Terrible Threat

THE UNIVERSITY of Strathclyde, under its genial Principal, Dr Graham Hills, has long been dear to the hearts of higher educational connoisseurs for its forward-looking attitudes and unique appointments.

It is the university where Dr Colin MacCabe, Professor of English and "Media" Studies, pursues his stately, structured way. It is the university where Dr John Alderson, former Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall and unsuccessful Liberal candidate, is Visiting Professor of Police Studies.

Dr Hills is notorious for what Old Leavis used to call "technologico-Benthamite utilitarian" views and his distrust, even dislike of the "arts," in the present state of the arts not necessarily ill-founded.

Now, it seems, he has struck, and struck hard. Proposed cuts at Strathclyde, if they are carried out, will fall heavily on the faculty of arts and social sciences, which will lose a quarter of its students and almost half its academic staff, while scientific, technological and vocational subjects will remain comparatively intact.

Will Prof. MacCabe himself survive the massacre, or will he be reduced to teaching structured English in hedge schools? What will happen to Prof. Alderson? Will he be redeployed as commanding officer of a new campus police force to handle dissident sociology students and redundant academics in a firm but essentially caring and compassionate way? What will become of the proposal to appoint Sir Tam Dalyell Visiting Professor of Belgrano Studies?

If the proposals go through, Strathclyde will be the first British university to become, in effect, a technical college or polytechnic. But it may not be the last. A breath of fear rustles through the paper hearts (*sic*) of millions of British sociologists.

Communities

THE end of the coal strike, it is reported, has led to a boom in striptease shows in the North East. There is such a demand at workmen's clubs that an agency in Gateshead is advertising through the Employment Department for strippers, now evidently recognised as belonging to a profession like any other.

Are these striptease shows part of the age-old traditions of the close-knit mining communities we have heard so much about? Was it for this that gallant Scargill bled?

Peter Simple

Obituary

James Mitchell

By DAVID HOLLOWAY

JAMES MITCHELL, one of the most dynamic publishers of his generation, died in London on Tuesday at the age of 45. He had been unwell for some months but continued to work until he finally went into hospital a few weeks ago.

In 1969, with John Beazley, who also died tragically young, eight years to the day before his partner, James Mitchell founded the firm that bears both their names.

It was an immediate success with such titles as Hugh Johnson's "The World Atlas of Wine," and the many pocket books which followed in its wake. Another best seller was "The Joy of Sex."

Probably the project closest to Mitchell's heart was "The Joy of Knowledge Encyclopaedia" which he edited himself and was able to market in 28 editions in 23 languages.

Its vibrant pages, full of colour, reflected James Mitchell's enthusiasm. His brief to his contributors was that any subject could be dealt with in a double-page spread, and hard driven by their editor even those who wrote about the most abstruse subjects managed to cope.

Flow of ideas

James Mitchell was, like his brother the novelist and playwright Julian, author of "Another Country," educated at Winchester. From there he went to Trinity, Cambridge, where he read theology.

He entered the book trade by selling books at Hatchards in Piccadilly, before becoming a publisher's editor. He worked for several firms but it was quite obvious that his immense energy and constant flow of ideas, good and bad, could only be satisfied in his own firm.

In 1980 he sold Mitchell-Beazley to the American Express Company for more than a million pounds and stayed on as chairman of the firm. For a time he was also a senior vice president of the Communications Division of the American Express.

James Mitchell married Janet Page Davison in 1962. She and their three sons survive him.

HOWARD BULMER

HENRY HOWARD BULMER who has died aged 88, was chairman for many years of the family firm of H. P. Bulmer, the Herefordshire cider makers. He was the second son of H. Percival Bulmer, founder of the company.

Educated at Hereford Cathedral School, he joined the Cambridgeshire Regt during his first week of residence at King's College, Cambridge. Later he was commissioned in the Herefordshire Regt and served in Palestine and France where he was wounded.

He joined the family firm in 1919 and served for nearly 50 years. His chairmanship was a period of significant development and provided a sound platform for future expansion.

He took a great personal interest in his staff, especially pensioners whom he often visited in their homes and continued this interest through his long retirement. He was still getting out to visit old friends from the company in the last week of his life.

He played an active role in the community and was High Sheriff of Herefordshire in 1940 and Chief Steward of the city in 1965.

FIRST INDIAN STAMPS SOLD

By Our Philatelic Correspondent

A cancelled blue example of India's first stamps, issued in Sind Province, in 1852, sold for £2,700 at Robson Lowe yesterday. A cancelled scarlet copy of the circular, half anna stamp fetched £4,104.

A block of nine of the Indian 1854 Queen Victoria half anna used at Rangood, believed to be the largest known such block used from Burma, realised £1,600. The two-day auction fetched a total of £256,848.

ROYAL MAUSOLEUM

The Royal Mausoleum at Frogmore, Windsor Park, where Queen Victoria and other members of the Royal Family are buried, will be open to the public on May 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Princess Anne, President of the Save the Children Fund, attends Best of British Fashion Display at Guildhall, 7.30.
Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11; Queen's Guard mounts, Buckingham Palace, 11.30.
British Museum: Robert Garland, "Greeks at war," 11.30; Anne Farrer, "Chinese landscape painting," 1.15.
National Gallery: Felicity Woolf, "The male nude (1): Botticelli and Baldung," 1.
St George's Hanover Sq.: Peter Westley (bassoon) with Katherine James (piano), 1.10.
St Giles Cripplegate, Barbican: Sally Plowright, organ, 1.10.

TOMORROW'S EVENTS

Queen's Life Guard mounts, Horse Guards, 11.
H M S Torquay alongside H M S Belfast in Pool of London.
British Museum: Robert Garland, "Festivals of ancient Greece," 11.30; Lesley Fitton, "Schliemann's discoveries at Troy and Mycenae," 1.15.
Museum of London: Chris Ellmers, "From City to Greater London: the 19th century expansion," 1.10.
City Temple: Claire Halpin, "Excavations at Radley, Barrow Hills, Oxfordshire," 7.
National Gallery: Felicity Woolf, El Greco: Christ driving the Traders from the Temple, 1.
Guildhall School of Music & Drama, Barbican: Recital by students of Senior Lieder Class, 1.5.
St Dunstan-in-the-West, Fleet St: Clarinet recital by Lesley Cross with Bertrand Lafontaine (piano), 1.10.
St Martin's, Ludgate Hill: Organ recital by Rosemary Field, 1.15.

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MARCH 19 is the feastday of St Joseph, foster father of Our Lord and spouse of Our Lady. Greatest of all the saints.—J.

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THANKS to S.H.J. and St Jude. Also P.J. for hope.—Joan.

CROW, HERBERT HENRY CROW, late of 1, The Caravan Park, Cow House Lane, Armthorpe, Doncaster, died at Doncaster on 17th June, 1983 (Estate about £5,980). The Widow and kin of the above-named are requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28, Broadway London SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

IVAY, RONALD ERIC IVAY, late of Netherne Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey, died at Caterham, Surrey, on 6th June, 1984 (Estate about £5,800). The Mother of the above-named is requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28, Broadway, London SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF G.T.K. (SOUTHGATE) LIMITED. Court No. 007072 of 1984. Nature of Business: Importers of household textiles. Winding-up Order made 14th January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 27th March 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD, at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF WALTHAM PAINTING CONTRACTORS LIMITED. Court No. 007546 of 1984. Nature of Business: Painting Contractors. Winding-up Order made 21st January 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors. 28th March 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, LONDON EC1N 2HD at 2 o'clock. Contributories. On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.—R. G. L. HOWARD, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF KRAMERS (WORLDWIDE) SHOE IMPORTERS LIMITED Court No. 007909 of 1984. Nature of Business: Wholesalers of Fashion Boots and Shoes. Winding-up Order made 4th February 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors. 27th March 1985, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 2 o'clock. Contributories. On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.—J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 IN THE MATTER OF Metaloy Limited. Nature of Business: Building Service Contractors. Winding-up Order made 22nd January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Sunley House, Bedford Park, Croydon, CR9 1TX. Creditors 27th March, 1985, at 11 a.m. Contributories 27th March, 1985, at 11.30. A. L. G. Billing. Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF ICE CLOTHIERS LIMITED. Court No. 007420 of 1984. Nature of Business: Clothiers. Winding-up Order made 21st January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 27th March, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF FERRYSAVE TOURS LIMITED. Court No. 006985 of 1984. Nature of Business: Ferry ticket agents & holiday insurance brokers. Winding-up Order made 21st January, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors 28th March, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD, at 3.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock. J. A. SELL, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE. IN BANKRUPTCY. No. 1708 of 1984. RE: BARRY GIDDINGS, of 8, Blackburn, Lower Strand, London, NW9 5NG—Carpet and Upholstery Cleaner. (Under Receiving Order dated 12th February, 1985.) First Meeting of Creditors 22nd March, 1985, at 12 o'clock noon, at Room 410/4th Floor Thomas More Building, Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2JY. Public Examination 30th April, 1985, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at Court 38A (West Green Building), Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2A 2LL. D. A. THORNE, Official Receiver. N.B.—All debts due to be paid to me.

SHERIFF COURT, AYR, SCOTLAND. Court Reference No. A58/85. An action has been raised in Ayr Sheriff Court by TAGGART & WILSON LIMITED Pursuers calling as a Defender CHARLES RAY HIXON whose last known address was 50, Howard's Lane, Putney, London, S.W.15. If the said CHARLES RAY HIXON wishes to defend the action he should immediately contact the Sheriff Clerk, Sheriff Court, Wellington Square, Ayr, telephone no. 0292 260748. Signed, J. C. McLean, Solicitor, 23, Royal Exchange Square, Glasgow, G1 3AJ, Pursuers' Agent.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF RANDWORTH LIMITED t/a STELARIS IMPORT & EXPORT COMPANY. Court No. 007683 of 1984. Nature of business: Importers of fancy goods. Winding-up Order made January 28, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors, March 28, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock. Contributories, on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock. J. L. P. POPE, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

RE: NIVEN AMY GERTRUDE DALZELL. Pursuant to Section 27 of the Trustee Act 1925. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any person having a claim against the Estate or a claim to an interest in the Estate of NIVEN, Amy Gertrude Dalzell (nee DUNDAS, Amy Gertrude Whitley Deans) and for many years known as Amy Gertrude COLE, late of Hill Croft, Eaton Road, Malvern Wells, Malvern, in the county of Worcestershire, and formerly thought to have lived at or been associated with the following addresses, The Lower House, Leigh Sinton near Malvern aforesaid, Sandygate Dawlish Warren Starcross in the county of Devon, Park House, Colwall in the county of Herefordshire and 18/19, Kensington Gardens Square, London, W.2, who died on the 14th day of December, 1944, and whose said Estate has recently been augmented as a result of the re-organisation of Reuters Holding PLC and The Press Association, IS HEREBY REQUIRED to send particulars of such claim or interest to the undersigned, the Solicitors for Samuel Reginald Freed, the Executor by representation of the said Deceased on or before the day of 19th May, 1985, after which date the said Samuel Reginald Freed will proceed to complete the distribution among the persons entitled to the assets of of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims whether formal or not which he shall then have had notice. DATED this 14th day of March, 1985. FREED STONE GOODMAN, 2 HAREWOOD PLACE, HANOVER SQUARE, LONDON W1R 0ET. SOLICITORS FOR THE SAID SAMUEL REGINALD FREED.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF FRONTREALM LIMITED t/a CROYDON MICROS. Court No. 006140 of 1983. Nature of business: Computerised accounting services. Winding-up Order made January 22, 1985. Date and place of first meetings: Creditors March 28, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock. Contributories, on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock. A. K. SALES, Senior Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. IN THE MATTER OF ROPER'S PLASTICS LIMITED. Court No. 004911 of 1984. Nature of Business: Dealers in Plastics. Winding-up Order made 2nd October, 1984. Date and place of further meetings: Creditors 27th March, 1985, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 2.00 o'clock. Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock. Official Receiver J. A. SELL, Liquidator.

PROPERTY CLEANING SERVICES LIMITED (In Voluntary Liquidation). NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above-named Company are required on or before the 30th day of APRIL 1985, to send in their names and addresses, with particulars of their debts or claims, to the undersigned A. LEVENE, F.C.C.A. of 139, STAMFORD HILL, LONDON N16 5LQ, the Liquidator of the Company; and, if so required by notice in writing by the said Liquidator either personally or by their Solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proven. DATED this 7th day of MARCH 1985. A. LEVENE, F.C.C.A., Liquidator.

PUBLIC NOTICES

MONOPOLIES AND MERGERS COMMISSION
INQUIRY INTO BRITISH AIRPORTS AUTHORITY COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission have been directed to investigate the efficiency and costs of the British Airports Authority in its commercial activities; their report will cover its arrangements for the provision of services to the public (such as retail goods, catering, chauffeur-driven car hire and car parks); as well as the provision of services to airlines or by one airline to another, and the granting of leases of land. The Commission will be interested in discovering whether there is scope for increased competition at the point of sale; they will also be investigating the Authority's procedures for selecting concessionaires and for monitoring the services they provide.

Anyone wishing to submit evidence is invited to write to the Secretary of the Commission, from whom a copy of the reference may be obtained. His address is:

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Why Pauline is something special in the City . . .

HISTORY was made in the City of London recently when Pauline Halliday became Clerk to the 693-year-old Fruiterers' Company.

Livery Companies are among London's oldest traditions with their own picturesque ceremonial and language, members being called The Livery. As the first woman ever to be made Clerk to one, Mrs Halliday received dozens of congratulations on her achievement.

Women do feature in the life of the City. Dame Mary Donaldson was Lord Mayor and this year Princess Anne is Master of the Farriers' Company. But these are positions filled for one year only.

As a Clerk Pauline is a salaried official responsible to the Master but with day-to-day responsibility for administering the Company and with no time limit on her tenure. "It would be wonderful if I'm still here when we have our 700th anniversary in 1992."

Pauline had a taste of the City's pageantry at the Fruiterers' annual Livery Service and luncheon on St Paul's Day, when she wore for the first time the traditional velvet-trimmed medieval-style robe of the Clerk. "The trouble was, John Airey my predecessor is over 6ft tall. It was far too long for me, at 5ft 4in."

She will wear that same robe at St Paul's on March 29 when all the Livery Companies have their united service. Wives are present then, but at most Company functions, Pauline knows in advance she will be the only woman.

It no longer bothers her. "I wear a black evening dress: a colour would be too obvious among the dinner-suited men."

Pauline Halliday, the first-ever woman clerk to a City Livery Company: "Nobody was more surprised than me" she said. Picture by ANTHONY MARSHALL.

She never envisaged the path her career has taken. Each step has come because of her personal commitment and hard work.

After a secretarial and book-keeping course (never completed) she worked for Guide Dogs for the Blind for a time, then went to a Piccadilly chartered accountants' as receptionist and book-keeper. Here she met Peter Halliday, a member of the firm and now her husband.

In 1968 David Hohnen, another partner, became Clerk to the Fruiterers, with Peter as Assistant Clerk. Many companies have retired officers as clerks, but lawyers or accountants are also often chosen for their professional expertise. Said Pauline:

"Me, I had spare time around the office so I helped out with various bits, getting more and more involved.

Some City Companies have magnificent Halls as their headquarters but the Fruiterers' was destroyed by fire many years ago and never replaced, so it is one of those Companies whose Clerk works from home or a private office.

For over 10 years Pauline's involvement was on this unofficial basis. Things took a new turn when David Hohnen and Peter Halliday resigned.

"Because I knew the ropes by then I was made assistant to the new Clerk. But that's very different from Assistant Clerk and nobody ever thought of me actually being an officer.

"After John Airey became Clerk in 1981, they suddenly, in May 1982, made me Assistant Clerk."

It was a natural but by no means automatic step when John Airey in turn resigned, to appoint Pauline Halliday as the Clerk. "Nobody was more surprised than me," she said.

This year she will organise functions in several City Halls, at the World Trade Centre and National Army Museum, as well as the Fruiterers' presence at the Chelsea Flower Show, the East Malling fruit research centre, and the presentation in October of some magnificent fruit to the Lord Mayor.

In addition to all this she must now cope with much administration. "A very high proportion of the 270 Livery are growers or importers of fruit.

With our committee, the Fruit Culture Council, we support the Commonwealth Bureau of Horticulture, the John Innes Institute, Wye College and similar bodies. We also give bursaries and grants to encourage research in the scientific aspects of fruit and of course we award medals at shows." Like most City Companies, the Fruiterers also do charitable work.

Margot Lawrence

GOOD SHOW FOR VEG

YOU DO not have to be a vegetarian to get the most out of vegetables. Take a fresh look next time you are in your supermarket or greengrocer.

Most of the vegetables you buy to boil taste just as good, if not better, raw. Florets of cauliflower or broccoli, once the prerogative of the smart restaurant, now appear as bar snacks and wine-bar nibbles. They make a refreshing and nutritious change for any meal.

Try slivers of raw cabbage with an avocado or cream cheese dip.

As summer approaches we can look forward to delicious fresh asparagus, corn on the cob and petit pois. If you are boiling green vegetables, try adding a few drops of lemon juice to the water to retain the colour.

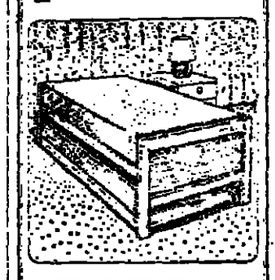
Enhance the appeal of vegetables, whether cooked or raw, with interesting serving platters and dishes. The selection pictured above is from Everyday Gourmet, Kensington Church Street, London W8, also available by mail order.

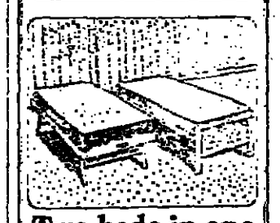
Clockwise from top left: colander-style dish for summer fruit or vegetables, £10·40; scalloped plate, £5·20; broccoli plate and stand, £24·20; asparagus-motif platter, £13·10; artichoke plate, £8; petit pois dish (with lid), £12; corn on cob server, £3·80; courgette dish on legs, £13·50.

HILARY ALEXANDER

Picture by PAUL ARMIGER

Sleeping partners





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EATING IN WITH BON VIVEUR

COOKING UP THE TASTE OF NATIONS

THE MENU

Petite Marmite. Boulette Mie de Pain.
(French Family Soup with Dumplings)
Bornholmer Eggekage
(Danish)
Rouleau de Dinde en Papillote (French)
Pommes de Terre Saint-Flour
Pashka à la Russe
(Russian Pudding)

IN THIS menu we have used French, Danish and Russian dishes because they happen to harmonise, and also are adaptable to individual or paired selections.

For Petite Marmite the ingredients provide sufficient for two filling soups for an average family. Use one half, then store the remainder in the freezer.

Serve with little breadcrumb dumplings. For these we give you the classic basic recipe, just reminding you that they take very kindly to a couple of small diced, derinded rashers of streaky bacon.

The Bornholmer Eggekage is a fish course, made in a very large frying pan and so carried to table, garnished.

Large thin escalopes of white turkey meat, used for "parcel cookery" make Dinde en Papillote served with sprigs of cauliflower, dipped in batter, deep fried and generously topped with grated cheese for grilling.

The pudding, a Pashka from Russia with cottage cheese, was once an essential part of the Russian Easter feast.

THE RECIPES

PETITE MARMITE:

INGREDIENTS: several pints of carefully cleared beef bone stock; ½ of a very small tight, white cabbage; ½lb lean stewing steak; 1 large marrow bone; the neck, pinions and gizzards of 2 fowls with which your poulterer will oblige you; 1 rounded teaspoon salt; black pepper in a mill; 3 medium carrots; 3 medium turnips; 2½ oz white of leeks; 1 small celery heart.

METHOD: Tie marrow bone into a scrap of muslin and immerse in cleared beef bone stock, with steak, chicken necks, pinions, gizzards and salt. Raise pot contents to boiling then skim very thoroughly. Add all washed and trimmed vegetables except the cabbage.

Top-up with more skimmed beef bone stock up to 1½pt. Simmer for 1 hour. During this period immerse the quarter cabbage in an extra quart of beef bone stock separately. Taste and season the whole potful with salt and freshly milled black pepper and dredge out the marrow bone in its muslin. Scoop all marrow from bone. Spread on fingers of crustless bread, like jam or pâté, and hand separately with bowlful of the clear marmite, cutting the cabbage into small wedges and immersing one piece in each serving.

BOULETTE MIE DE PAIN

INGREDIENTS: 1oz butter; ¾ oz flour; 1 No. 3 egg; 4 to 4½oz fine, soft breadcrumbs (white or brown); 1 eggspoon salt and 1 generous grate of nutmeg.

METHOD: cream butter until very loose—we use an electric mixer. Work in the flour, salt, nutmeg and egg. Beat in the crumbs, cover and leave 1 hour. Shape into very small dumplings and slide into boiling, salted water, or beef bone stock. Poach for 7min and drain thoroughly before adding 1 or 2 to each heated bowlful of Petite Marmite.

BORNHOLMER EGGEKAGE

INGREDIENTS: 4 No. 3 eggs; 3½fl oz of milk; 1 fat walnut of butter; your chosen fish carefully detached from all bones in small pieces; milled black pepper.

METHOD: when pan is hot and butter melted, beat up eggs and milk with a fork, season with milled black peppercorns. Pour, then swirl, the egg mixture round to cover pan base, working over a low heat. Run a spatula just once round the setting edge.

Reduce heat to very low. When mixture settles in pan lay on little boneless slivers of the chosen boned cooked fish. Arrange like the spokes of a wheel while the upper surface of the egg mixture is still moist. Intersperse with little wheel spokes of finely-sliced radishes, overlapping them as you work. When a firm base is achieved but top of mixture is still moist, scatter with additional finely-scissored chives and set the pan on to a grid on the table for service.

Use buckling or smoked kippers if no smoked herrings are available.

ROULEAU DE DINDE EN PAPILLOTTE

INGREDIENTS: 2 large turkey escalopes (which for very small appetites may be halved); splashes of inexpensive dry white wine; a carton of single cream; salt; black pepper; grated Parmesan; 1 slice of 1in thick bread crumbled; a very little vegetable oil; 4oz thinly-sliced mushrooms and their stalks.

METHOD: cut for each pair a 12in x 14in piece of aluminium foil. Pinch the opposing ends in to stop liquor from oozing out. Drip oil lightly over base of each piece. Lay the turkey pieces out flat on the foil and spread them with 4oz finely-chopped mushrooms, their stalks and a mixture of Parmesan and crumbs. Add splash of wine, a pinch of pepper and salt and roll each up. Fold over the lengthwise foil edges, pinch them firmly and make a second ¼in fold to be sure.

Lift on to baking sheets and refrigerate then bake on mid-shelf of oven for 29min at 375F (Gas 5).

For informal occasions set parcels on heated plates and let the recipient at table unwrap and slide out turkey roll in its self-made sauce. Serve with creamed potatoes heavily laced with parsley. For more formal occasions, unwrap parcel in the kitchen. Put all fluid contents into a small pan, pour a carton of single cream overall, bubble up under a strong grill and hand with vegetables separately.

POMMES DE TERRE SAINT-FLOUR

INGREDIENTS: green cabbage braised in fat and oven cooked until slightly crisp at 325F (Gas 3); potatoes cut after peeling into rather thick round slices then diced; scalded fried bacon; salt and pepper to season; a very little stock to moisten; 1 peeled garlic clove crushed to pulp; a little stale grated cheese.

METHOD: having mixed rough chopped green cabbage with sufficient melted, clean dripping to enable you to casserole it, do so in a very slow oven, 300F (Gas 2) under a lid in a casserole.

When cooked for 30min cover with a layer of thick potato slices, having mixed them first with the lean prepared bacon dice.

Season with salt and pepper, moisten with about 6fl oz of very strong beef or pork bones stock, stir in the garlic, cover and cook one shelf below centre at 300F (Gas 2) and under a lid for at least one hour. Remove lid, sprinkle with a "lid" of grated cheese. When this forms a bubbling brown crust on top serve with the turkey fillets and re-heat later at 250F (Gas ½) with a further 2 to 3fl oz stock to serve with cold meats.

PASHKA A LA RUSSE

INGREDIENTS: 1lb cottage cheese; 1 small carton soured cream; 1oz unsalted butter; 1 flat small teaspoon salt; 1 small cup sifted, vanilla-flavoured icing sugar; 1 dessertspoon finely-grated lemon rind; 1oz finely-chopped, blanched almonds; 3oz seeded raisins; 1 oz finely-diced glacé cherries and of softened angelica.

METHOD: rub cheese through a fine sieve. Add cream and beat in. Add vanilla icing sugar, lemon rind, finely-chopped blanched almonds, chopped raisins, butter and salt. Work up, either in an all-purpose food blender or an ordinary electric mixer until creamy and soft. Add the glacé cherries and softened, diced angelica. Whip well, then press down into a perforated cheese mould or large, waxed carton.

Just prod carton all over with a skewer. Stand on a support so that any remaining moisture drains through overnight. Serve icily chilled with any chosen petit-fours or packet fan wafers.

Note: Chop exhausted vanilla pods into small pieces. Bury in 1 kilo of icing sugar. Leave 4 weeks then use for true flavours.

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ISRAEL'S IRON FIST

THE PREDICTABLE, sometimes hypocritical, expressions of outrage in the United Nations Security Council at Israeli troop behaviour in southern Lebanon, and the equally predictable United States use of the veto at the end of the debate, should not be allowed to disguise the fact that some very nasty events are occurring in that particularly violent and unhappy country. The much-vaunted Israeli army which is currently engaged in a phased, i.e. slow and vulnerable, withdrawal to its bases across the border after a 32-month occupation, is now unloved, harassed and bleeding. Every day brings more Israeli soldiers killed and wounded. And, angry and frustrated, the army, or more precisely some elements of it, are lashing out, settling old and new scores and enthusiastically enforcing what the Government itself has officially designated as an "iron fist" policy. Hence the operation against the south Lebanese Shi'ite village of Zararia when 34 "suspected terrorists" were killed. Although it may be denied, there is plenty of evidence to suggest this was the Israeli army's revenge for the suicide bomb attack which killed 12 of its men on Sunday.

It is worth recalling that Israel invaded Lebanon in June 1982 to destroy the military infrastructure of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, to create in and around Beirut a new Christian-dominated political order and generally to redraw the military map to Jerusalem's advantage. It happens to be true that the Shi'ites east of Tyre objected to Palestinian domination and welcomed the Israelis with rice and flowers. Those days are gone forever. Shi'ite hostility to the Israelis is a significant turnaround, the result of massive raids, arrests, killings, expulsions, curfews, domolitions and other collective punishments.

Yet it is impossible not to have sympathy for Israel in its anguish and indecision. The Government must be fed up with the Lebanon (as well as with being told what to do by those who know little of the situation on the ground). As morale crumbles in the army, and elsewhere, and internal bickering intensifies, it must be sorely tempted to speed up the withdrawal. Such a step inevitably would be interpreted as the Israelis running away. It would be a huge propaganda boost for the radical fundamentalist groups emerging in southern Lebanon who might be inclined to show what they can do by attacks against northern Israeli villages.

SON OF BNOC

IT SEEMED LIKE A GOOD IDEA at the time. The British National Oil Corporation was set up ten years ago by Mr WEDGWOOD BENN and Lord KEARTON to find out what the oil companies were up to in the North Sea, and beat them at their game. By acquiring a right to purchase 51 per cent. of North Sea output, and by acting as a producer on its own account, BNOC would secure us our oil and our taxes. By giving it a somewhat artificial Scottish domicile it was supposed to provide an answer to Scottish Nationalism's "our oil" warcry; and there would be billets for such trade union worthies as Lord BRIGINSHAW and Mr CLIVE JENKINS as an added bonus.

But times have changed. From a world of marginal oil shortages we have moved into a world of marginal oil surpluses. As the price at which oil was traded in north-west Europe has become increasingly dominated by transactions in the spot market at Rotterdam, BNOC has had either to align its own deals to reflect the moves at Rotterdam, or else to try to stick with the prices advertised by Opec. If it did the former the British Government would face accusations of undermining Opec, and threats of retaliation. If it did the latter—as it has tried to do in recent months—it would stand to make increasing losses on every tonne of oil it handled, and be accused of seeking to rig prices against the consumer for good measure.

So the Government's decision to wind up the Corporation was overdue. It marks the abandonment of the polite fiction—it was never anything more—that BNOC was not in the business of fixing prices at the Government's behest. Yet the Department of Energy still cannot leave well alone. For in place of BNOC there will be Son of BNOC: an Oil and Pipeline Agency which, by the looks of it, will really differ from its predecessor only in being genuinely a "price-taker" and not a "price-maker." Presumably it is hoped that the change of title will enable British Ministers to escape from Opec's ducking-stool. If so it is a pious hope.

PUBLIC SCHOOL PENDULUM

ACCORDING TO THE headmaster of Harrow, Mr BEER, the plea of a 16-year-old pupil, in the school magazine, for the abolition of fagging and of brutal punishments is, to put it mildly, anachronistic. Private fagging (the system which obliges young boys to perform domestic services for older boys) was abolished at Harrow five years ago; it has certainly disappeared from most English public schools. He also casts doubts on the brutal punishments, implying that those are figments of a lively historical imagination.

We are inclined to believe the headmaster, for, if a liberal régime did not prevail at Harrow, how could the offending article have appeared? No doubt the young author has a great future in the media, in some sections of which there is a large demand for the imaginative castigation of abuses long since ended. But we, in our old-fashioned way, think there may also be another side to the matter: was private fagging all that bad? Did it perform no function which society at large still needs? Are the assumptions on which the practice rested wholly false?

The evidence of sadism and corruption in English public schools in the past is overwhelming; but fagging was not invented to foster these abuses. Its purpose was to initiate young men early in their lives into the virtues and pains of humility and obedience, and to instruct them later on in the art of command. We live in a world nowadays in which no one feels particularly beholden to anybody else and in which the whole concept of a relationship of command and obedience is increasingly felt to be repellent: most people are subordinates in respect of some aspects of their lives and in possession of authority in respect of others; all should learn how to lead and how to obey.

And, this high philosophising apart, fagging taught several useful domestic arts to males; the disciples of women's lib should think twice before rejoicing at its extinction.

JO GRIMOND on 'Daddy' Dalton, the Labour Chancellor

Nasty, bullish but effective

"DADDY Dalton, the dreadful doctor," what are we to make of him? As with the bittern, no one mentions Hugh Dalton without remarking on his boom. He addressed everyone as though they were a public meeting in a voice so powerful that the windows of a private dining room had to be shut lest his remarks about his colleagues should float along the terrace of the House of Commons to their receptive ears.

As the biography of Dalton* published today shows, he was a nasty man — nasty to his family — a bully, an intriguer, disloyal to his colleagues, with a fair measure of self-pity and on occasion rather nauseating sycophancy in the interests of his ambition. Much disliked by most of his contemporaries, he was cut out to be a certain type of public school master: in addition to the traits noted above he had a keen interest in young men and a muscular atheism which led him to take them and some women on long country walks.

If politics has done nothing else for the good of the nation, it may have saved several generations of boys from being brought up under his influence as a house-master.

However, he makes a good subject for a book, and this is a good book — though too long. It contains material for three books: a life of Dalton, a history of the Labour party 1935-1955 and a history of the Labour Government 1945-1950. In a life of Dalton it is not necessary to spend half a page on the selection and election to Parliament of Sir Stafford Cripps. Even on matters which directly concern Dalton there is a plethora of detail.

Readable as is the book, there is a danger that the reader may be exhausted by the time he reaches the last half, which is the important part. Long accounts of adolescence are a doubtful bonus in a biography of this sort. The wealth of detail is also apt to mask the salient features of Dalton's career.

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DALTON'S salient features were, in my view, his patriotism, his appetite for the countryside and his kindergarten. As well as his faults he had, particularly as a politician, some virtues. His patriotism was not only of the straightforward variety of unquestionable loyalty to his country, a loyalty which led him to serve her bravely in the First World War; he appreciated, critically perhaps, but understandingly, her institutions, her landscape and her traditions — or some of them.

He was, at least for a time, the friend of Rupert Brooke and retained the affection of many young and able men. Though he was

beguiled for a time by Stalin and Mussolini he never succumbed to that flaccid toleration of dictatorships which has disfigured some of liberal-Left opinion during the past 50 years.

He was opposed to appeasement of Hitler before the war, and Stalin after it, though his hatred for the Germans made him underestimate the need for the free world to unite against the Russian threat. If he was in favour of cutting our overseas commitments by 1947, this was amply justified and would not have weakened the essential defence of the country.

I believe that the 1945-50 Government performed two great services. It presided over a peaceful and on the whole humane return from war to peace and it contained the westward advance of Russia. Dalton played a part in both. It is not clear to me that a Tory Government under Winston Churchill (no doubt sniped at by Labour) would have been so successful.

His practical steps to preserve the countryside through the Land Fund and his good-will to the National Trust were linked to his patriotism. During his life these activities may not have seemed important but they have left a legacy and were a new departure by involving the Exchequer in conservation. They are perhaps underestimated in this book.

He not only encouraged but found seats for a bevy of young men: Gaitskell, Mayhew, Brown, Jay and Rodgers were only a few of his protégés.

In this way he did great service to the Labour party and to the country. It seems to me that we badly need a Dalton or two to repeat this type of patronage.

Dalton's Chancellorship of the Exchequer was neither, to my mind, so original nor so important as it seemed at the time. Having held too deflationary opinions before the war, it is easy now to see that he erred on the side of inflation after the war. The bonds known as "Daltons" proved a disaster. But in those days low interest rates seemed not only desirable but possible. He learnt his lesson and his successor, Cripps, did not depart much from his final financial policies.

What, I think, was much more mistaken was the type of planning to which he and the 1945 Government were addicted. They gravely underestimated the importance of the entrepreneur and they planned in a way which made no effort to involve the public at large. As a result we have the cramping legacy of centralised dirigisme, incapable of sustaining the Welfare State or of eliciting the effort and flexibility which could have weaned industry from its old habits and products and turned it to the new world.

The Labour party is still the party of State socialism, not of participatory socialism, and that dates from the days of the 1945 Government and the dependence of the party on the trade unions. In its defence of State socialism it has become a highly conservative party. This conservatism permeates its political as well as its economic philosophy.

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NEITHER Dalton nor his contemporaries (except on occasion Cripps), nor his protégés showed any enthusiasm for changing the political system. They were all the products of established elements within it, the public schools, the hierarchy of the unions and local government. While Dalton (with some justification in my view) was highly critical of the City ("the baleful Bourbons") and the rich, he was remarkably uncritical of the political system which they operated.

He deserves the praise which Mr Pimlott gives him for his steps to help the impoverished regions, though he made no effort to devolve power to them. Dalton's regional development was controlled from London. Nor did he or the Gaitskellites appreciate that to achieve greater equality it was necessary not merely to soak the rich and improve social services but to spread ownership and to raise the incomes of the poor.

The two scandals (they were indeed stumbling blocks) in which he was involved were sad and irrelevant. Whatever else Dalton was, he was not dishonest nor avaricious. Nor, either from the Budget leak or the Stanley tribunal, did he emerge with discredit. Yet they gravely damaged him.

It is noticeable that the burdens of the 1945 Government killed Bevin and Cripps and probably fatally impaired Dalton's judgment. Of the many drawbacks which surround State socialism the least remarked upon is that no Minister can support the strain. I have noticed this behind the Iron Curtain. It was demonstrated in 1950. It makes one wonder what will happen to Mrs Thatcher and her Cabinet.

*"Hugh Dalton," by Ben Pimlott (Cape, £25).

LONDON DAY BY DAY

Dulwich masters get extra cover

THIRTY-SIX masterpieces from the Dulwich College Picture Gallery are disappearing from its walls today — not as a result of yet another burglary but to go on loan to the United States for a year-long tour.

Among the £100-million-worth of paintings bound for Washington DC and then Los Angeles until next February are paintings by Rembrandt, Murillo, Poussin, Claude, Canaletto and Van Dyck.

They will be insured by the U.S. Government while away, whereas at Dulwich they are not covered by insurance at all because it is too expensive.

Several of the paintings were stolen in what was then the world's biggest art robbery in 1967, although they were recovered within a week. Sadly though, the Rembrandt portrait of Jacob da Gheyn, stolen for the fourth time in May 1983 will not be among the pictures on the tour. It has still not been recovered.

Payment by results

A CHEQUE for £1,000,000 is being sent by the Government to Terry Duffy, the president of the Engineering Union, as a result of the decision to reject the TUC ban on accepting official funding for union ballots.

The money will undoubtedly be some recompense for the campaign of vilification Duffy has received from other union barons for accepting back-dated compensation for balloting his members.

The only other union to risk TUC expulsion for accepting the money is the Electricians. Its general secretary, Eric Hammond, will soon be receiving about £250,000 from the Government.

Name off course

WITH ONLY eight months to go before Halley's Comet makes its return, the sharpest controversy among astronomers about its reappearance after 76 years appears to be how to pronounce its name.

The purists, led by Patrick Moore, are plumping for "Hawley," which seems to be how the 17th Century astronomer himself said it, while others including Heather Couper, the president of the British Astronomy Association, are sticking to the traditional style. The Halley's Comet Society say even "Haley"—as in Bill Haley and the Comets — is acceptable if it helps gain public attention for its return next November.

No glancing blows

A POTENTIALLY embarrassing confrontation at the Department of Trade was narrowly averted, I gather, on Tuesday when both Tiny Rowland of Lonhro and Ali Al-Fayed called to meet Norman Tebbit to argue their corners over the Harrods take-over.

It was not until the Lonhro delegation was actually in with the minister that officials realised that the Egyptians would be, following them and that the two parties were likely to bump into each other outside.

A hasty solution was reached with Rowland's driver being issued with a special pass enabling him to pick up his party at the back of the department while the Al-Fayed group entered at the front.

Endangered species

MARGARET BENTLEY, the 93-year-old widow of Walter Owen Bentley, the designer and prime mover of the Bentley motor car, yesterday attended the opening of the first centre entirely devoted to the marque in Berkeley Street.

Her husband died in 1971 and, she said, he was saddened that the Bentley name had been absorbed since Rolls Royce bought the firm in 1930 and that at times it was in danger of disappearing altogether.

The chips are down

THE GREAT British potato chip came in for something of a trounce yesterday when Egon Ronay's Guinness Pub Guide was launched with accompanying ballyhoo at the Inn on the Park.

Practically no good chips are to be found in British pubs, says the guide which goes on to describe them as: "undercooked, frozen, greasy, flabby, stuck-together reheated stuff purveyed by 'cooks' who ought to be ashamed of themselves."

Plenty of other British pub grub came in for a drubbing as well. The guide mentions "carelessly prepared food, seas of peas, mountains of smothering cress, artificial-looking salads to match mock beams and plastic ferns."

Russians, fed up with lagging behind the West in computer technology, are joking that the National Exhibition of Economic Achievements in Moscow now boasts on display the World's biggest microchip. Soviet-made, of course.

Strategic decision

THE 59 members of the Racecourse Association need have no fears that their new chairman, General Sir Peter Leng, will be over-awed by the size of the administration when he takes over in July — despite his lack of practical experience in the horseracing business.

One of Leng's more recent tasks, while Commander 1st British Corps, was to organise the Crusader exercise in Germany which involved 100,000 troops, cost £8 million and was described as "the British Army's most ambitious since the foundation of NATO."

Jumbo Liberation Front

A PROJECT to "re-educate" the elephants of Indonesia has been undertaken by the country's government following a series of rampages by marauding herds through built-up areas.

A number of elephant training centres has been established with a government grant of more than £500,000 and trainers have been recruited from Thailand and Burma because, apparently, very few Indonesians now know how to capture and train wild elephants.

The idea is to wean the elephants away from breaking up townships and paddy fields to become log-haulers and ceremonial transport bearers instead.

'Heaven knows how we're going to get it all in two volumes.'

The latest volume of Parliamentary Profiles of MPs by journalist Andrew Roth contains the ringing assertion that the information is kept on computer and updated regularly as the "circumstances concerning MPs change." Unfortunately on the following page there is a detailed biography of Maurice Macmillan omitting the information that he died in March last year.

Czech mate

THE DISSIDENT Czech playwright Pavel Kohout will at last be allowed to see a performance of a play by that most subversive of authors, William Shakespeare, when he makes his first trip to Britain this weekend to see the premiere of one of his own plays in English.

Although his work has never been shown here before, Kohout has featured in a play by our own Czech-born playwright Tom Stoppard called "Dogg's Hamlet and Cahoot's Macbeth," about an incident when a reading of "Macbeth" in his flat was broken up by Czech police.

Kohout now lives in Vienna and the Austrian arts ministry is paying for his trip to watch the Royal Shakespeare Company mount one performance of his play "The Maple Tree Game" during their current season in Newcastle. He will also see "Love's Labour's Lost."

Punishing schedule

A NEWS headline from the County Sound local radio station earlier this week went: "18,000 Surrey children will be hit by striking teachers tomorrow."

PETERBOROUGH

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PRESCRIPTION CHARGES HURT

SIR—Mr Fowler, Social Services Secretary, is reported as having said that the increased prescription charges and cost increases for dental services do not affect those on low incomes (March 12).

This statement is blatantly untrue—these increases *do* affect many people on low fixed incomes.

Like many others, having invested my redundancy payment, I am now living off the interest, the resulting sum providing a very frugal source of income.

As the amount invested is over £5,000 neither my wife nor I can claim any benefits whatsoever. Every dental bill, charge for spectacles and medical prescription has to be paid out of capital. This, of course, reduces the amount of interest earned.

Probably some benefits will be available in five years' time when we are eligible for our "old-age" pensions.

R. F. HUMPHREYS
Leighton Buzzard, Beds.

The true cost

SIR—With regard to the proposed increase in prescription charges, these do not seem at all excessive when one considers that the true cost of many drugs is far more than £2, and that they are heavily subsidised.

There are two points to make, however. First, some drugs are prescribed that are obtainable over the counter and are in fact less than £2; is it fair to prescribe these at all and expect the patient to pay more than the correct price?

Second, patients who need more than two prescriptions monthly can save pounds by taking out a three-monthly or yearly "prescription season-card." This facility is not sufficiently publicised. I only heard about it when I began working in a general practitioners' surgery.

Application forms can be obtained at post offices or GP surgeries.

ANN ALLEN
Fleet, Hants.

Taxes on health

SIR—I am a dentist in industrial Lanarkshire. I voted for Mrs Thatcher in 1979 because of the despair I felt about the divisive and one-sided policies of the Labour Government.

I am again in despair, about this Government's divisive and one-sided policies.

The increased prescription and dental charges, iniquitous second taxes on health, are the latest manifestations of this.

This leaves me with the dilemma, just who do I vote for next time to obtain a moderate, common sense Government?

KENNETH T. MACDONALD
Crossford, Lanarks.

Government's record in the training of apprentices

SIR—I was interested in the comments made by Mr Morrison, Minister of State for Employment, on apprentice training (report March 4), particularly as he made references to agreements reached by my own organisation, the Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union.

However, the attitude of Government as an employer presents a somewhat different picture. The Ministry of Defence have had for many years an excellent record on apprentice training both in the numbers of apprentices trained and the standard of such training. Sadly the apprentice intake has been falling steadily over the last few years which means that many excellent facilities are under used or being closed.

In my negotiations with MoD I asked the question how many additional apprentices could be employed if we were prepared to do a deal on pay—the answer was none. I then suggested that we should investigate the possibility of integrating the Youth Training Scheme into the apprentice scheme as a means of increasing apprentice numbers.

Again I was told that this would not be possible and a number of reasons were given, one of which was that such an arrangement was unacceptable to the Department of Employment was that Government were not prepared to disregard apprentice numbers in calculating the overall numbers of MoD employees.

It is evident that the reduction of Civil Service numbers is far more important to the Government than training apprentices.

P. ADAMS
Nat. Officer, EETPU,
Bromley, Kent.

How to make teachers aware of the world

SIR—May I suggest that the solution to the current impasse on teachers' salaries is readily soluble?

Each authority offers their teachers a contract peculiar to that local education authority. Those authorities who could not pay more (than say 4 per cent.) could pay less than other authorities.

Those authorities who regard various "voluntary" duties as contractual could write them into their teachers' contracts and remunerate their teachers accordingly.

Where in-service training was regarded as important, the contract could include a minimum number of paid days for training each year.

Some authorities might want to offer incentives to good teachers such as cheap mortgages, use of a car, medical insurance or luncheon vouchers.

Presumably the highest paying authorities could then impose the most stringent assessment and appraisal procedures upon their teachers.

Government and industry regard teachers as being out of "touch with reality." I am sure that this scheme of local contracts would make teachers far more aware of the real world.

This scheme, I am sure, would satisfy the Secretary of State for Education and the Prime Minister, since it allows authorities to compete for the best teachers and equally allows the best teachers to compete for the best contracts.

The scheme would be self-regulated by market forces, and the Burnham Committee could negotiate minimum levels in the same way as wages councils.

F. SOLARZ
Gants Hill, Essex.

Feet off the ground

SIR—In your leading article "A Skirmish Won" (March 9) you have your feet nowhere near realistic ground.

You cannot, for example, be aware of the report of the National Economic Development Council, "The Public Service Infrastructure," the Audit Commission's report on achieving better value for non-teaching costs in secondary schools; the inquiry into British housing chaired by the Duke of Edinburgh or, indeed, my Institute's constant pleadings with the Government or in the Press. Reality is utterly different.

You cannot be aware of the 1980 Local Government and Land Act that compels Direct Labour Organisations to tender for work in competition with the private sector. Their prices just *cannot* be at five times standard cost — whatever that is. Not one new house will be built in authorities like Birmingham this year because of the current situation.

How the local authorities would like to see a small portion of the vast sums of money for maintenance and repair of which you write. The facts are that we have a seriously decaying housing situation with an equally perilous infrastructure. It is a national tragedy.

It is a pity too that you do not know that of those houses being demolished at this present time a very large proportion were both designed and built by the private sector.

Please, Sir, don't so extravagantly mislead your readers. It does you no credit.

WINSTON FEAR
Nat. Sec., Inst. of Maintenance and Building Management,
Farnham, Surrey.

Compromise with honour

SIR—A distinguished American lawyer specialising in labour relations recently addressed the Federal Bar Council and came up with some guidelines for basic bargaining. They are, first, recognition of mutuality of interest, second, recognition that compromise is not a dirty word, third, establishment of reasonable objectives and, fourth, flexibility.

In particular he has this to say about the word compromise. "It is a great and honourable act. It is one of the basic criteria that separates civilised man from the animals. Compromise is what peace is all about — it represents a combination of reasonable, conflicting views."

In these guidelines and in that specific view of compromise are surely all the bargaining ingredients which were lacking to a greater or lesser extent on both sides during the miners' dispute.

E. F. HOWARD
London, W.6.

High cost of VAT

SIR—With reference to Mr Edward Wood's letter (March 6) in which he queried my reasoning on the subject of Value Added Tax, may I be permitted a further small space respectfully to point out that he answered his own question in paragraph four where he said that "VAT on goods and services increases costs and inhibits sales, and hence profits, of an enterprise . . ."

In simple terms, VAT costs more money. This is why a VAT registered small trader becomes sorely "penalised by further VAT taxation on top of income tax."

If a small trader stays below the *present limit* of £18,700, his product becomes 15 per cent. less costly and easier to sell but, because of the VAT limit, he is not allowed to earn more which would enable him to afford budgeting for more staff.

Traders registered for VAT earning more than the £18,700 limit tend to make less profit overall, and find it 15 per cent. harder to do business than the unregistered man. They find themselves penalised with onerous paperwork as an "unpaid Government tax collector," as Mr Wood mentioned, for the privilege of earning less profit from business than an unregistered firm, since goods cost 15 per cent. more.

By lifting the VAT registration limit considerably, it would significantly increase the prospects for small businesses by removing a 15 per cent. penalty, on top of their income tax: and it would enormously increase prospects for employment and higher Government income tax receipts in lieu of reduced Government VAT income, because more employees would be needed to handle more work in order to increase a small firm's turnover: formerly unregistered.

I trust that my reasoning is clearer than muddled tax laws and Government monetary policy recently.

ALAN MOORE
Eastbourne.

Divorce confusion

SIR—Since 1981 the Church of England has been trying to compose a form of words to encompass the remarriage of the divorced but, hardly surprisingly, has failed to do this. It has found that it is trying to legislate for the impossible.

I would go so far as to say that the inability to overcome the problem indicates that the original decision in General Synod that there were circumstances in which it was justified for a divorced person to be remarried in Church in the lifetime of a former partner was wrong.

What a mess we are left with! The House of Bishops has come forward with two suggestions which have both been substantially defeated. At this they have thrown their hands in and left a free for all; some of these same Bishops not being averse to telling Mrs Thatcher how to run the country but seemingly unable to conduct their own more immediate affairs!

The Church, through Synod, must have approved discipline and this should be along the lines suggested in the statement by the Ten Bishops in Nation Church and Marriage *i.e.*, no remarriage in Church but a service of Prayer and Dedication following a civil marriage.

M. R. M. COLE
Colchester, Essex.

Payment by the week

SIR—Has Mr Leonard Miall (Mar 7) never heard of 50p television stamps?

Pensioners buy them (and £1 telephone stamps) weekly at their post office.

MARY PAYTON
Nantwich, Cheshire.

Behind the facade

SIR—I cannot understand the Victori[illegible] Society's objection to converting [illegible] John's Lodge, in London's Regent's P[illegible] into an art gallery and education ce[illegible] Surely they are aware that almos[illegible] per cent. of Nash terraces around [illegible] park have had their insides ripped [illegible] for conversion into offices and flats[illegible]

What better reason to "rip ou[illegible] interior (while leaving the facade [illegible] than to install an art gallery in [illegible] beautiful setting?

(Mrs) EDNA S. [illegible]
London [illegible]

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New Cambridge rules bar joint Oxbridge entrants

By MARGOT NORMAN Education Staff

CAMBRIDGE University has decided, after a two-year inquiry, to change its admissions procedure so that sixth-formers will no longer be able to apply to both Oxford and Cambridge.

The new Cambridge entrance examination, to be sat in May, does away with the much-criticised Cambridge Colleges Examination, marked by the individual colleges and sat either in the fourth term of a pupil's A-level course or in the Christmas term after A-levels.

Candidatese will take the new exam for the first time in May, 1987, just before their A-Levels. It will be set and marked jointly by the local Cambridge examining board and the Oxford and Cambridge board.

It will resemble the present S-Level and, because the two examining boards also set and validate A- and S-Level papers for sixth formers all over the country, the university hopes the new exam will find ready acceptance among schools.

Overwhelming support

"The most cogent argument for this new system is that the exam will not interrupt a child's preparation for A-Levels," said Mr John Hopkins, senior tutor at Downing College and secretary of the Tutorial Representatives' Committee through whom yesterday's announcement was made.

"Obviously the reaction we have had from schools to this idea has not been unanimous, but I believe they are overwhelmingly in support of it for that reason."

However, Mr Hopkins admits that Oxford's decision to continue with a fourth term exam, while Cambridge has an incompatible sixth term one, could create "Oxford" schools and "Cambridge" schools.

"I hope it won't, but it will be very, very interesting to see what happens," he said.

"I don't actually think this will bring very much change, but we hope it will appeal to the people who have looked at the old Cambridge admissions system and been put off by its complexities," Mr Hopkins added.

"Standards will be as high as they have ever been, because all candidates will have "A" and "B" grades at A-Level. That is going to continue."

UNIONS ON WANE IN AMERICA

By FRANK TAYLOR in Washington

TRADE Unionism in America is withering. A report by the Government's Bureau of Labour Statistics shows that unions represent only 19 per cent. of the work force compared with 35 per cent. 20 years ago.

Unions no longer have strong representation in key industries and labour experts say that the decline in their bargaining power and changes in labour-management relations have resulted in a sharp drop in the number of major strikes.

When Britain's miners were in the midst of their long stoppage the United Mineworkers of America were reaching their first strike-free settlement in 20 years.

Only 62 major strikes took place in 1984 compared with up to 400 in the previous year. High unemployment and the introduction of automation are among the main factors.

Mr John Zalusky, a collective-bargaining specialist for the AFL-CIO, roughly the equivalent of the TUC, said: "It takes a damn fool to strike in a slack labour market, with high unemployment, against a company that might have full inventories."

RIOT POLICE FOR BENIDORM

By Our Madrid Correspondent

Riot police have been drafted into Benidorm and other resort towns along Spain's Costa Blanca in an effort to make the area safer for British and other foreign tourists.

Nearly 150 men from a national mobile reserve unit are reinforcing local officers for a month-long trial period before the holiday season starts. Young bachelors, they spend much of their time in the troubled Basque region.

11 ESCAPERS SHOT

Guards shot and killed 11 inmates who tried to break out of prison yesterday in the south-eastern Brazilian city of Sorocaba. Sao Paulo police said. 15 prisoners had attacked the guards, who caught them leaving an escape tunnel.—A P.

Bob Carpenter and his wife Cathy whose Anglo-Saxon image has upset Brent Council with its racially mixed community.

Clown with Union Flag bow-tie upsets council

By GRAHAM JONES

A FEMALE clown with a whitened face and a Union flag bow-tie who was hired for a children's concert has upset council officials at Brent. They say the image is "unsuitable" for a poster campaign.

They said that she was unlikely to be asked to back for another children's concert in the Borough.

Brent denies that 51-year-old Shandy and her partner Rolo, 52, are seen as "racist" but agree it is looking next for a bill at their Easter town hall concert with "broader appeal" to their youngsters, 40 per cent. of whom are black.

Variety of acts

The row came after Rolo and Shandy, in real life Bob Carpenter, of Ilford, and his wife, Cathy, entertainers for 30 years, were booked for three pre-Easter children's concerts at Brent Town Hall.

They offered to supply their own posters to be overprinted with the times of the shows, but these found no fans at a meeting of Brent Council officials, including the race relations officer, Mr Russell Profit.

It was suggested that instead of two Anglo-Saxon clowns, a variety of acts should be booked next year to reflect Brent's racially-mixed community.

Mr Carpenter said: "There's nothing racist or sexist in what we do. These people have gone mad now."

Said Mrs Carpenter: "My mind is still boggling. We have always worked with everyone regardless of their colour."

Mr Carpenter said they were not black clowns and they were not going to "black up" just to please certain people.

Unchanged rate

Brent Council, a Conservative minority controlled authority, voted last night for an unchanged rate of 242p in the £ with Liberal support.

BR CUTS PARCEL LOSSES

By JOHN PETTY Transport Correspondent

A £4,500,000 computer system which British Rail hopes will make lost parcels a thing of the past is to be introduced in Scotland this autumn, and will spread to the rest of the rail network by the end of next year.

The "parcels business machine system" is in final stages of development and will make it possible for parcels in transit to be traced instantly.

"We will be the only carrier in Britain with total computer system for parcels," says project manager Mr Colin Goodall in a report to staff in RAILNEWS, the British Rail internal newspaper.

"The resulting boost to efficiency should increase our share of the highly-competitive parcels market and bring real revenue benefits."

BR handles more than three million parcels a year. The computer system will serve all 603 parcels offices on the mainland, connected to a central office in London.

Details of every parcel will be fed into the central computer. The system will also print labels for each consignment and will handle accounting and invoicing.

U.S. LOVES CHOP-CHOP SUEY

By IAN BALL in New York

ALONGSIDE the McDonalds, the Pizza Huts and the Kentucky Fried Chicken stands along American highways, some exotic newcomers are springing up — Nankin Express, Quick Wok, China Rose, Eggroll Express and Xian Restaurants.

American food technicians, Occidentals for the most part, have developed ways of preparing standard Chinese dishes on an assembly line. Chinese fast-food franchises have arrived with bogus pagoda roofs soon taking their place beside the golden arches.

Craig Schowalter, a food technician for Nankin Express, said he was able within six months to reduce the art of Chinese cooking to a science.

"All the magic can be taken out of it. It can be pretty standardised," he commented.

In test kitchens he developed a four-step process to which, he claims, 80 per cent. of all Chinese recipes can be adapted. The four steps are identified as "fresh vegetable component," "cut meat component," "spice" and "sauce".

Ready for change

With Americans spending an ever-increasing percentage of their food dollars in restaurants or on take-out meals, the industry believes it is about to witness a boom in Chinese fast-food franchises.

Consumers appear to be signalling the industry that they are ready for the change. Interest in Oriental cuisine is thriving while the sales growth in hamburgers and pizzas is slowing.

Already Chinese food rates as America's second most popular ethnic cuisine, after Italian.

VICAR'S WIFE WINS RIGHT TO LEAVE RUSSIA

The 34-year-old Russian wife of a Gloucestershire vicar is being allowed to live with him permanently in Britain with her four-year-old daughter. The Rev Walter Evans must wait at least three months before Soviet formalities allow his wife, Lyudmila, to join him with Katia.

Mrs Evans will have to leave behind her oldest daughter, Tania, 13, because the girl's father is still alive. But her husband hopes the present visit to Moscow of British politicians may speed his wife's trip.

Mr Evans, 55, Vicar of Chalford, near Stroud, married Lyudmila in August 1983. He has made three trips to her home city of Kiev to visit her since.

Enterprise Board may survive abolition of GLC

By JOHN GRIGSBY Local Government Correspondent

THE Greater London Enterprise Board and other bodies set up by Labour-controlled councils with the aim of reviving the economy and creating jobs in their areas, could survive the abolition of the Greater London Council and the metropolitan county councils.

Mr Jenkin, Environment Secretary, and Mr Baker, Local Government Minister, have drawn back from either killing off the agencies or allowing them to wither because of lack of funds. The decision has encouraged GLC councillors and staff of the enterprise board.

Mr Jenkin has given limited approval to the plans by the GLC to finance the board during the coming financial year. He allowed expenditure of £4·896 million to cover the first quarter of the year.

Open mind

He said he was keeping an open mind about further funding. In his letter, Mr Jenkin said that in considering whether to grant the further funding, he wanted to be assured that the interests of ratepayers were safeguarded in the application of funds previously supplied by the GLC.

GLEB has interpreted this as meaning that it would be possible for the London boroughs or metropolitan districts to continue to fund the boards if they satisfied Government conditions.

An important previous condition was that the boards were making efforts to attract funds from the private sector. Mr John Palmer, director of information at GLEB, said that it was attracting £1 from private sources for every £1 committed from the rates.

But the GLEB staff has made it clear that it would find it virtually impossible to continue operating if the GLC funding was blocked. The council wants to give the board £20 million during the coming financial year—but now needs Government approval.

'Here to stay'

Mr Michael Ward, chairman of the GLC's Industry and Employment Committee, said that the Government's announcement marked an acceptance that: "GLEB is here to stay.

"I welcome the fact that the Government has accepted that it would not be in Londoners' interests to see the board wound down and that no challenge has been made to the board's social priorities."

GLEB is particularly heartened that the Government has made no move against its plans to fund co-operatives and black businesses.

But Mr Ward said: "The refusal to allow us fresh funds for new investments is outrageous. When we met the Government at the end of last year, it had no answer to the unquestionable successes of the board and no quarrel with its terms of reference."

The GLEB said that the "drip feed" of money on a quarter-by-quarter basis was totally unsatisfactory. "At the moment we have dozens of viable new investment projects before us involving hundreds of new jobs for Londoners.

"If the Government does not change its mind, we will not be able to tell these projects whether or not we can go ahead."

GLEB claims that if it had been allowed to go ahead as planned, a total of 8,000 new jobs could be helped in London—either through the direct investment in enterprises, thorough working places created by the property programme or through construction work.

ARARAT 'TOO HIGH FOR THE ARK'

Noah's Ark could not have landed on Mount Ararat (16,945ft) in Turkey, where many have sought its remains, a Turkish government scientist said in a report yesterday.

Dr Yilmaz Guner, a geologist who analyses forms of landscape, said Ararat was too high to have been reached by a flood, but a possible landing place was Mount Cudi, near Turkey's border with Iraq.

He said a boat-shaped rock formation on Ararat, sometimes said to be related to the biblical vessel, was in fact a shape frequently found in volcanic regions.—Reuter.

TOURIST KILLED

By Our Madrid Correspondent

The body of a British woman tourist killed on the Costa del Sol is to be flown home. Miss Elisabeth Parsons, 46, of Clarington Square, Leamington Spa, was hit by a car as she crossed a road near the resort of Estepona.

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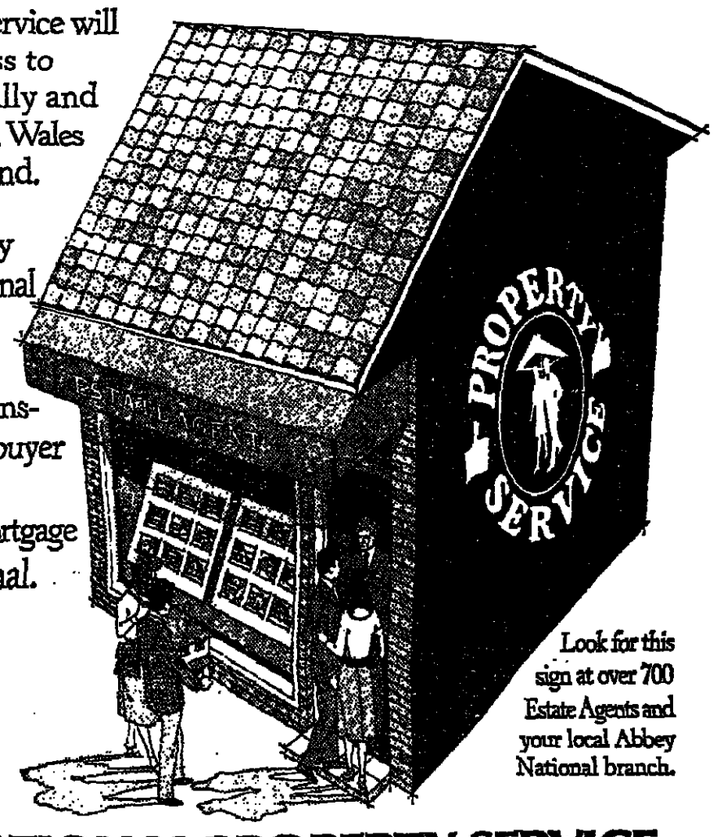

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Stores sector enlivened

ACCOUNT: March 11-March 22.
PAY DAY: April 1.
BARGAINS TRANSACTED: 26,804.
RISES: 390. **FALLS:** 430.
UNCHANGED: 924.
EQUITY TURNOVER (March 12): Number of bargains 24,559; value £374·93 million. Shares traded: 214·4 million.

F.T. STOCK INDICES, March 13, 1985

	Index	Change	1984-85 High	1984-85 Low
Indust. Ord.	987·4	−3·0	1024·5	755·3
Govt. Secs.	80·15	−0·26	83·77	75·72
Gold Mines	484·1	−3·4	711·7	439·5
Fixed Int.	85·97	−0·17	87·48	80·43
Ord. Div. p.c.	4·56	−0·31	5·19	4·22
Earn Yld p.c.	11·33	−0·02	12·39	9·90
FT-SE 100:	1295·2	−4·8	1305·7	986·7

WITH the likelihood of even a modest reduction in the domestic banks' base lending rates looking extremely unlikely before Tuesday's Budget, operators in the equity sections of the London stock market yesterday turned their attention to special situations or companies reporting trading news.

In the former category activity in the stores sector was considerably enlivened following news of the agreed counter offer for Foster Bros from Sears Holdings. Pauls were firm and active in the food sector in the wake of Harrisons & Crosfield's increased and agreed bid but buyers in this sector also had to contend with a £98 million-plus cash-raising operation from United Biscuits which accompanied details of the company's annual results.

Company trading statements were generally well received, but the oil share market turned distinctly reactionary following the decision to abolish B N O C, the State oil company. On a brighter note, newsagent issues were perky on suggestions that a stake is being built up in W. H. Smith & Son (Holdings).

The main body of leading equities saw little buying activity, and despite a mid-afternoon recovery quotations drifted easier again in late dealings. The 30 index, after opening 3·7 off, registered a 1·8 gain by 3 p.m. before finally closing a net 3 points down at 987·4. The wider-based 100 measurement settled 4·8 off at the day's lowest of 1,295·2.

Against the background of Tuesday's disappointing money supply statistics, government securities spent a much quieter day with prices drifting in the absence of fresh support. The printed lists showed final losses of £⅜ in short-dated stocks and £⅝ in longer-dated maturities. A proportion of these losses, however, were attributed to late selling on Tuesday.

Top-quality blue chips succumbed to light selling in late trading with **Hawker Siddeley** finally 10 off at 415p. **I C I** were a casualty and ran back from 812p to close 3 cheaper at 804p, while **Imperial Group** settled a similar amount lower at 186p.

The major clearing banks continued to make progress, albeit on a more modest scale than of late. **Lloyds** were again favoured and added 8 to 567p and **National Westminster** put on 5 to 627p, while **Barclays**, at 594p and **Midland** at 344p hardened a couple of pence apiece.

Royal Bank of Scotland once again reflected comment and jumped 8 more to 284p, while some lively two-way dealings were evident in **Standard Chartered**, which finally closed 3 cheaper at 477p ahead of figures due soon.

Breweries highlighted **Arthur Guinness**, which climbed to 258p prior to ending the session 7 better at 257p in response to intense speculative support. **Bass** were wanted and rose a more modest 3 to 537p.

Distillers hardened a couple of pence to 298p, while **Invergordon** added a similar amount to 150p following the preliminary results. Speculative demand persisted in **Matthew Brown**, finally 12 to the good at 305p.

Building issue took on a mixed appearance, but **Blundell-Permoglaze** were unsettled following the company's annual meeting and reacted 4 to 152p.

Insurance issues gained ground under the lead of **Commercial Union**, which climbed to 197p in active trading prior to closing 4 dearer at 194p. Small improvements were noted in **General Accident** at 556p after 560p and **Royal**, 586p after 588p, while **Refuge Assurance** improved a couple of pence to 330p following the half-yearly results.

In motors and aircraft **British Aerospace** fell out of favour and retreated 7 to 568p on the Government decision to sell off its 48·4 p.c. interest in the company, while profit-taking continued to take its toll in **Group Lotus**, finally 3 down at 100p after 99p. On a brighter note, **Lex Service** were wanted and jumped 12 to 209p in the wake of investment demand.

A fair amount of attention was directed to the food sector and a number of contrasting features were in evidence by the close of dealing. Early interest was undoubtedly centred upon **United Biscuits**, whose shares were sold down to 18p, a fall of 4, in reaction to the proposed £98·2 million rights issue on the basis of one-for-five at 158p which accompanied the preliminary results.

Elsewhere, better-than-expected half-yearly results lifted **Bejam** to 160p but subsequent profit-taking took its toll and the final quote was a couple of pence easier at 156p.

Tesco, which has enjoyed a modest rerating of late, softened a penny to 257p, while **Rowntree Mackintosh** met nervous offerings and cheapened 10 to 388p as operators anticipated today's annual figures. By way of contrast a broker's recommendation underpinned the market in **Argyle Group**, which advanced to 270p before settling 3 better at 268p.

In the stores sector, **Foster** shed 4 to 224p following the agreed offer from Sears Holdings. ½ firmer at 87½p, while original bidders **Ward White** came back 4 to 234p. Vague talk of a stake build-up left **W H Smith & Son (Holdings)** 10 firmer at 218p after 226p, while **John Menzies** spurted 11 to 238p and **N S S Newsagents** 6 to 116p in sympathy.

Elsewhere, **J Hepworth** continued to attract support and rose 6 to 184p. Further consideration of the recent acquisition provided the impetus to **Dunhill Holdings**, 21 higher at 318p.

The market debut of **Mann & Co**, one of the United Kingdom's biggest residential estate agents, proved a satisfactory affair. Offered for sale at the minimum tender price of 125p and substantially oversubscribed, the shares opened at 161p and eased back to 156p on light profit-taking before recovering to close at 157p, a premium of 12.

The half-yearly loss failed to unsettle the market in **Victor Products** and the shares held at the overnight level of 110p. Interim results left **Wolseley-Hughes** 3 firmer at 321p, while **Australian Agriculture** climbed to 270p before closing 3 higher at 270p on the annual figures. Over on the clothing pitches **Lawtex** sprang to life and put on 17 to 75p in response to the more than doubled six months' earnings and higher dividend.

In publishing and printing **William Collins** picked up 5 more to 725p for a two-day rise of 20 following comment relating to the recent results, while in the industrial section a resurgence of support was forthcoming for **Pearson**, which jumped 29 to 695. Recent comment continued to spur **De La Rue**, finally 25 ahead at 855p after 870p.

Guest, Keen & Nettlefolds highlighted the heavy engineering section with preliminary results in line with market estimates. The shares succumbed to light profit-taking and slipped to 214p on the announcement, but buyers appeared at the lower levels and the close was 4 dearer at 224p. **T I Group**, by way of a contrast, encountered small nervous offerings in front of today's annual figures and shed 6 to 218p.

Little of interest developed in the shipping sector and quotations were generally a shade easier for choice. **James Fisher** came on offer and gave up 5 to 115p after 114p in reaction to the preliminary results.

The B N O C decision unsettled dealings in the major oils with **British Petroleum** finally 12 lower at 525p. **Britoil** were marked down 10 to 205p, as were "**Shell**" at 775p. Profit-taking left its mark on **Tricentrol**, 8 cheaper at 210p, but among second-liners, **Falcon** attracted persistent demand and jumped 15 to 459p after 474p.

Heavyweight gold shares were mixed behind the bullion price, finally $5·50 ahead at $293·50.

BRITISH FUNDS

Short-dated (up to five years)

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
98	95·1	Treas. 3% 1985	£98	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 11% 1985	£99	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 3% 1985	£98	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 1985	£99	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 11% 1986	£99	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% Cv 86	£97	−⅛
94	[illegible]	Treas. 3% 1986	£93	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% Cv 86	£98	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1986	£99	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 8% 84-86	£96	−⅛
[illegible]	102	Exch. 14% 1986	£102	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 2% 1986	£89	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 13% 1987	£102	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% 1987	£97	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 2% 1987	£87	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 1987	£97	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fund. 6% 85-87	£91	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% 1987	£96	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 3% 1987	£86	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1987	£100	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 7% 85-88	£92	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 1988	£96	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9% 1988	£94	−⅛
[illegible]	77	Trans. 3% 78-88	£85	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9% 1988	£92	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 11% 1989	£99	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9% 1989	£92	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% 1989	£96	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 1989	£96	−⅛
101	[illegible]	Exch. 11% 1989	£97	−⅛
75	[illegible]	Treas. 5% 86-89	£81	−⅛
113½	100	Treas. 13% 1990	£104	−⅛

Medium-dated (five to fifteen)

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 1990	£102	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 8% 87-90	£91	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% 1990	£96	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 11% 1991	£101	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fund. 5% 87-91	£81	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 11% 1991	£100	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1992	£106	−⅛
[illegible]	85	Treas. 10% 1992	£93	−⅛
101	[illegible]	Treas. 10% C 1992	£98	−⅛
111	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 1992	£102	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 13% 1992	£107	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1993	£105	−⅛
[illegible]	71	Fund. 6% 1993	£77	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 1993	£114	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 14% 1994	£115	−⅛
[illegible]	106	Exch. 13% 1994	£115	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 1994	£104	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9% 1994	£90	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1995	£102	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gas 3% 1990-95	£67	−⅛
100	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 1995	£93	−⅛
118	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 1995	£110	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 14% 1996	£114	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9% 92-96	£86	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 15% 1996	£126	−⅛
[illegible]	106	Exch. 13% 1996	£114	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Redemption 3% 86-96	£72	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 1997	£112	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 1997	£94	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 8% 1997	£84	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 15% 1997	£126	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 9% 1998	£91	−⅛
[illegible]	88	Treas. 9% 1998	£92	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 6% 95-98	£74	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 15% 1998	£124	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 1998	£107	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 9% 1999	£90	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 1999	£108	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 10% 1999	£93	−⅛

Long-dated (over fifteen)

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
[illegible]	[illegible]	Conv. 10% 1999	£96	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 2000	£113	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 14% 1998-01	£119	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 99-02	£106	−⅛
[illegible]	90	Conv. 10% 2002	£92	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 00-03	£118	−⅛
115	[illegible]	Treas. 11% 01-04	£103	−⅛
51	[illegible]	Fund. 3% 99-04	£48	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 10% 2005	£100	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 12% 03-05	£116	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 8% 02-06	£79	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 11% 03-07	£107	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 13% 04-08	£119	−⅛
65	[illegible]	Treas. 5% 08-12	£58	−⅛
[illegible]	73	Treas. 7% 12-15	£79	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exch. 12% 2013-17	£115	−⅛

Undated

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
26	[illegible]	Consols 4%	£24*	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	War Loan 3½%	£36	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Conversion 3½%	£41	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treasury 3%	£28	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Consols 2½%	£58	..
26	[illegible]	Treasury 2½%	£23	..

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1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 1988	£110	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 1990	£97	..
114	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 1996	£114*	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2001	£105	..
[illegible]	87	Treas. 2% 2003	£103	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2006	£106	..
103	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2009	£103	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2011	£107	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2013	£98	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2016	£98	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Treas. 2% 2020	£96	..

COMMONWEALTH & AFRICAN STOCKS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
£121	£105	Aust. 13% 2010	£116	−¼
£110	£102	N.Z. 14% 1987	£104	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	N.Z. 7% 1988-92	£78	+½
[illegible]	[illegible]	S.Rh 3% 65-70	£65	−½
[illegible]	[illegible]	S.Rh 4% 87-92	£67	−½
£378	£286	Zimbabwe Ann.	£310	−4½

CORPORATION STOCKS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
£124	£110	Leeds 13½% 2006	£115	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	L.C.C. 5½% 85-87	£88	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	L.C.C. 6½% 88-90	£81	..
[illegible]	£22	L.C.C. 3% 20 Aft	£25	..
£126	£111	Swnsea 13½% 2006	£120½	−⅛

FOREIGN STOCKS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
£26	£10	China 5% 1912	£22	−1
£18	£10	China 5% Boxer	£14	−½
[illegible]	719	Commerzbank	908	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Greek 4% 1910	£56	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Greek 7% Ref.	£62	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Greek Stab A	£69	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Honda Motor	£82	−2
£325	£300	Japan 4% 1910	£325	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Volkswagen	£55	+1¼

DOLLAR STOCKS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
[illegible]	[illegible]	Alcan Aluminum	£24	+⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Amax	£15	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Amer. Express	£38	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bell Canada	£25	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bow Valley	£11	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bowater Inc.	£20	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Can. Pacific Ord.	840	−5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Chrysler	£31	+⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Du Pont	£47	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exxon	£45	+1⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	General Foods	£56	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gillette	£53	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gulf Canada	£11	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hudson Bay	£11	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	I.B.M.	£121	+1⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Inco	£11	+⅛
430	180	Massey Ferguson	220	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Pan Canadian	£19	+⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Royal of Canada	£19	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Shell Oil	£54	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sperry Corp.	£48	−⅛
825	413	Teck Corpn. 'B'	716	−10
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tenneco	£37	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	U.S. Steel	£24	−⅛
[illegible]	[illegible]	Woolworth	£36	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Xerox	£40	−⅛

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
351	167	A.N.Z. Group	288	..
178	120	Allied Irish	156	+1
100	60	Anslacher, H.	65	..
335	145	Baltic	247	+3
345	240	Bk. of Ireland	268	..
275	165	BkLeumi (UK)	220	..
495	320	Bk of Scotland	485	..
649	433	Barclays	594*	+2
465	300	Brown Shipley	400	..
535	405	Cater Allen	535	..
31	21½	Cattle's Hldgs	28½	..
72	44	Clive Discount	67	..
130	107	Com Bk Wales	118	..
104½	68	First Nat. Fin	100½	..
362	250	Gerrard Nat.	348	..
88	42	Goode D'l Mrr	27	−1
76	44	Guinness Peat	77	..
182	120	Hambros	160	..
585	235	Hill Samuel	520	+3
106	75	Honck, Shang.	99	−2
315	230	Joseph, Leo	260	..
182	124	King & Shax.	182	..
490	330	Kleinwort B.	485	..
612	418	Lloyds	567*	+8
72	46	Lon. Scot. Fin.	70	..
42	22	Manson Finan	26	..
455	288	Martin, R. P.	456	..
620	366	Mercury Secs.	433	−7
423	287	Midland	344*	+2
270	195	N. Australia	227	..
632	435	Nat. Westmtr	627*	+5
181	167½	Ottoman Bank	£81	+7½
213	143	Provident Fin	200*	−2
100	72	Rea Bros. 'A'	75	..
115	75	Rothsch'd JHlg	106	+2
310	225	Ryl Bank Scot	284	+8
910	655	Schroder	788	+5
480	380	Seccombe Mah	430	..
71	47	Smith St. Aub	67	−1
575	440	Standrd Chart	477	−3
770	680	Union Disc'nt	760	..
73	41	Wagon Finan.	73	..
250	205	Westpac	230	..
280	198	Wintrust	260	..

BREWERIES

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
190	137	Allied Lyons	181	..
557	309	Bass	537	+3
55	30	Belhaven	44	..
177	130	Bell Arthur	160	+2
86	70	Boddingtons	74	..
315	208	Brown M'thew	305	+12
55	50	Bucklers	52	..
232	128	Bulmer H. P.	140	−2
515	323	Clark Matthw	515	+5
285	235	Davenports	248	..
655	380	Devenish J.A.	640	..
321	244	Distillers	298	+2
445	325	ForshawsBurt	440	..
186	117	Greenall Whit	175	+1
199	140	Greene King	163	+1
257	116	Guinness	257	+7
353	280	Hardy & Hans	348	..
72	51	Highland Dist	72	+2
165	124	Invergordon	150	+2
69	49	MarstonThom	68	+1
381	306	zMerrydnWne	370	..
200	145	zBuddle	149	..
147	98	Scottish & Nc.	145	+3½
458	246	S. A. Brews.	270	−4
292	201	Vaux Brews	280	+2
235	127	Whitbread 'A'	198	+1
312	204	Wolverhmptn	294	..
380	265	Young 'A'	205	..

BUILDINGS & ROADS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
255	186	AMEC	248	−1
35	38	Abbey Ltd.	55	+1
202	156	AberdeenCons	184	+2
32	15	Allied Plant	20½	..
78	38	Arncliffe Hldgs	38	..
110	80	Attwoods	109	..
371	132	BarrattDevBk	352	−8
45	27	Bailey Benn	38	..
188	58	Barratt Devel	68	−2
182	115	Bellway Ltd	117	+2
185	98	z Berkeley Gp	166	..
64	45	Bett Bros	59	..
585	373	Blockleys	540	..
530	338	Blue Circle	510	−5
357	225	B.P.B. Indust	288	+3
316	183	BreedonCloud	308	..
80	48	Brit. Dredging	76	−1
20	15	Brown & Jack	18	..
75	57	Brownlee	70	−1
77	59	Bryant Hldgs.	72	+2
205	60	Burnt & Hlsh	50	−5
55	59	CakebredR 'A'	65	..
65	50	Carr, John	52	..
85	48	Cement Rdstn	68	+1½
64	40	Condor Int	64	..
38	22	Copson, F.	26	..
390	349	Costain Group	344	−2
248	174	Countryside	216	+4
106	65	Crouch, D.	94*	..
108	48	Dew George	78	..
57	45	Douglas, R.M.	51	..
25	11½	z Dunton Grp.	21	−1
88	61	Erith & Co	63	..
117	83	Feb. Intnl 'A'	88	..
105½	70	Finlan, John	85	+2

* ex-div ‡ ex-scrip § ex-rights ‡ ex-all ••• quotation temp suspended § ex-capital return z unlisted security ° Tax free to non-residents

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
152	111	French Kier	120	..
70	51	Galliford	70*	..
238	161	Gleeson M.J.	220	..
127	94	H.A.T. Group	96	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Helical Bar	27	..
319	180	Henderson Gp	275	−5
40	29	Hewden-Stuart	36	..
162	102	Hey'w'd Wms.	136*	−3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Higgs & Hill	298	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	I.D.C.	178	..
[illegible]	162	Jhnstn-Johnsn	277	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Jarvis J.	290	−3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Johnston Pl.	77*	..
[illegible]	136	Laing J. 'A'	219	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Latham J.	270	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Lawrence W.	226	+2
181	105	Leech Wm.	175	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Leyland Paint	58	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Lilley F.J.C.	67	..
111	[illegible]	z Linkstabalite	105	..
[illegible]	156	Lovell Y.J.	202	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Magnet & Sthrns	122	−3
193	143	Manders	180	−2
119	89	Maunders Jn.	119	..
[illegible]	73	May & Hassell	89	+1
[illegible]	184	McAlpine Alf	258*	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Meyer & Stone	205	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	zMelanah & Har	100	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Meyer Intnl	115	−1
96	66	Milbury	76	..
[illegible]	15	Miller S.	19	−1
135	105	Monk A.	117	+2
235	185	Mowlem J.	218	..
[illegible]	378	Newarthill	610	+2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Nott's Brick	160	..
146	84	Phoenix Tmb.	132	..
468	310	R.M.C.	376	−4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Raine Ind.	17*	..
[illegible]	215	Redland	281	..
[illegible]	105	Roberts Adlard	112	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Rowlinson Cnst	32	..
[illegible]	190	Ruberoid	207	−3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Rugby Cement	129	−2
[illegible]	119	SGB Group	160	..
[illegible]	57	Sharpe Fisher	69	+3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Streeters	60	−1
[illegible]	408	Tarmac	508	..
582	285	Taylor Woodrw	367	−2
134	[illegible]	Tilbury Group	132	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Travis & Arnld	240	−2
100	66	Trent Hldgs.	98	..
345	215	Turriff Corpn.	275	..
165	125½	UBM Group	141	−1
40	27	Vectis Stone	28	..
171	120	Vibroplant	138	..
178	119	Ward Hldgs.	178	+7
103	72	Warrington T	72	..
255	162	Watts Blake	236	..
88	64	Western Bros.	68	..
82	31	Wiggins Group	45	..
200	156	Wilson Connly	178	..
103	95	Wimpey G.	99	..

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
256	146	Allied Colloids	233	−1
376	282	Amersham	348	−1
270	86	Anchor Chem.	265	−2
94	43	Arrow Chem.	62	−2
128	81	Brent	125	−1
17	10½	Br. Benzol	11½	−1
121	81	Canning W.	99	−1
233	152	Coalite	238	−1
168	65	Coates Bros.	165	..
56	21	Cory Horace	51½	+1
150	92	Croda	138	..
244	156	Ellis & Everard	244	..
107	59	Halstead J.	87	..
475	338	Hickson Int	470	..
884	531	I.C.I.	804*	−3
427	236	Laporte Inds.	405	−2
112	80	Leigh Interests	99	−1
192	120	Morceau	185	..
56½	37	z Morger E.H.	38	..
110	82	Moss, Robert.	102	+2
115½	900	Norsk Hydro	111½	..
239	167	Plysu	316	..
175	120	Rentokil	168	+2
114	98	Stewart Plast.	102	..
222	156	Wardle Storey	219	..
383	117	Wolstnhlme R.	277	−3
84	58	Yorkshire Chem	63	−4

CINEMAS & TV

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
172	150	Anglia 'A'	147*	..
65	32	Capital TV Fac	62½	..
246	180	zCentral TV	188	..
152	99	H.T.V.	142	+2
301	162	L.W.T.	242	..
159	30	zRadio City	32	..
37	21	TSW	29½	..
157	79	TVS	138	..
252	190	Trident TV	245	..
101	53	Ulster TV	85	..

DRAPERY & STORES

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
19½	8½	Amber Day	12	−½
58	31½	AquascutumA	58	+½
118	68	Beattie J.	118	..
81	40	Bentalls	62	..
81	48	Bremner	65	−1
278	184	Brit. Home Str	255	−3
270	150	Brown, N.	270	+2
464	212	Burton Group	464	+5
76	59	Cantor 'A'	72	..
55	27	Casket, S.	48	..
37	28	Castle 'GB'	35	..
124	46	CombEngStr.	123	+3
300	170	z Cornell Hlds	225	+2
148	68	Courts 'A'	103	−2
222	141	Debenhams	214	+2
46	10	z De Brett (A)	16	..
115	81	Dewhirst I.J.	102	..
607	217	Dixons Group	607	..
318	69	Dunhill Hldgs	318	+21
84	34½	Ellis & Goldstn	77	−1
114	68	Empire Stores	104	..
147	105	Etam	143	+1
81	47	Fine Art Dev.	77	+1
42	21	Ford Martin	41½	−½
172	130	Formfinter	147	..
222	104	Foster Bros	224	−4
196	64	Freemans	192	+2
395	145	z French Con.	385	..
100	80	z Gabbicci	98	..
170	120	z Gee, Cecil	167	..
210	135	Gent, S. R.	142	..
101	45	Goldberg A.	50	..
18	10½	GoodmanBros	15	..
187	84	Grattan	184	−4
787	458	Gt. Univ. Strs	757	..
757	463	Gt. Univ. Strs A	727	+5
50	30½	GreenfieldBlcks	42½	..
402	254	Habitat	354	+2
232	150	Harris Q'sway	184	−4
90	65	z Heelamar	88	..
30	21	Helene (Lond)	25	+½
184	70	Hepworth, J.	184	+6
30	21	Hollas	22	+2
282	124	Home Charm.	271	−1
406	285	Hse. of Fraser	390	−2
94	65	Jones, Ernest	78	..
55	35	z Kent (John)	48	−1
148	100	Lee Cooper	126	+2
157	63	Lincroft Kigrs	157	..
270	130	MFI	255	−1
144	98	Marks & Spen.	144	+2
245	155	Menzies, J.	238	+11
142	98	Milletts Leisre.	118	+2
385	230	Moss Bros.	338	+2
133	70	NSS News	116	+6
365	280	Oliver, G. 'A'	338	..
365	270	Our Price	365	+2
188	127	Owen Owen	180	..
98	75	Peters Stores	70	..
118	71	Preedy, Alfred	108	..
65	28½	Ratners Jewel	63	+2
32	23½	Raybeck	34½	+1
117	84	Reed Austin A	105	−1
30	19	S & U Stores	21	..
95	50	Samuel H. 'A'	78	−2
97	68	Sears Holdg.	87½	+½
38	16	Selincourt	24	+½
231	164	z Share Drug	207	..
232	118	Smith, WH 'A'	218	+10
55	34	Stanley, A. G.	46	..
172	98	Stead & Sim A	165	+9
114	66	StonhameGrp.	77	+11
83	49½	Stirling Group	75	..
75	35	SunrieClothes	46	..
417	253	Superdrug	390	+12
52	29	TeraiUnmlate	52	..
34½	24½	Time Products	34½	..
334	161	Vantona Viyel	352	..
238	161	Ward White	234	−4
151	91	Waring & Gillw	143	..
635	457	Woolworth	628	..

ELECTRICAL & RADIO

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
555	375	A.B. Electron	410	..
158	70	z A.G. Secs.	70	..
133	22	zAcorn Comp	22	−2
475	300	z Air Call	285	−15
119	97	Alphernerics	100	−1
134	64	Amstrad	72*	..
170	36	Arlen Electric	48	..
385	240	Atlantic Cmpt	388	+5
29½	5½	Audiotronics	5½	..
282	132	Automatd Sec	189	+4
287	188	B.I.C.C.	230	..
313	125	B.S.R.	150	−5
463	253	Bowthorpe	430	..
30	9	z BrevilleEuro	18	+1
360	138	z BrikatGroup	340	−8
137½	138	Brit. Telecom	136	−1
97	68	BrwnBvriKnt	90	..
31	21½	Bulgin A 'FA'	28	..
205	110	z CPS Comput	122	+2
88	40	z CPU Comptr	40	..
340	283	Cable & Wirles	338	..
405	253	Cambr'ge Elec	315	+2
333	195	C.A.S.E.	295	−2
40	28	Chloride Grp.	36	+1
124	10	z Clter	12	−1
140	69	z Circaprint	97	..
295	120	Comcap	265	..
133	85	z Comsoft	129	..
600	355	z Cont. Micro.	473*	..
285	180	Cray Elect.	225	..
210	180	Crystalate	188	−2
91	67	Dale Electric	72	..
140	90	Dataserv	138	−2
56	14	Dewhurst Ord	58	..
35	13½	Dewhurst 'A'	25	..
85	35	Dowding & Mill	65	..
206	132	Dubilier	172	..
274	235	Electrocomps	265	−2
55	37	Elec. Machine	41	..
50	28	Elec. Rentals	43	..
218	119	Emess Light'g	215	..
60	34	Energy Serv.	69	..
350	220	Eurotherm Int	325	−5
49½	17	FKI	49	..
225	153	Farnell Elect.	180	..
125	75	Feedback	75	..
188	12½	Ferranti	140	..
125	94	FstCastle Elec	116	−2
75	56	Forward Tech.	58	..
236	150	G.E.C.	198	..
545	251	Goring Kerr	545	+5
182	131	Grosvenor Grp	168	+3
94½	44½	H.K. Elect.	85	..
139	44	Highland Elec	129	+5
17	1	Humbersde Elc	15	..
305	169	z Instem	280	..
316	175	Intl. Signal	270	−5
147	95	z Kiarktaknik	148	..
320	180	Kode Internatl	180	−5
440	268	Lec Refrigertn	298	−2
435	270	Logica	305	−5
375	257	M.K. Electric	280	−3
395	195	Memec	325	+5
305	135	Micro Business	200	+5
390	185	Micro Focus	365	−5
200	37	zMicrovitec	70	..
210	160	Miles 33	288	..
512	315	Mitel	600	−15
192	126	Muirhead	148	+2
135	60	Multitone	65	−2
182	136	Murray Tech	130	..
135	69	N E I	85	−1
115	58	Newman Inds	85	..
260	170	Newmark, L.	216	−6
198	128	Oceonics	110	−5
325	238	Oxford Inst.	272	..
65	39	Petbow	50	..
65	39	Phicom	41	..
48	10¼	Philips Lamps	£15½	+½
189	120	Pifco 'A'	145	−1
248	165	Plessey	186*	−2
350	217	z Powerline	250*	..
350	80	Pressac	117	..
80	28	Quest Automn	47	..
299	188	Racal Elects.	218	..
187	27	ResourceTech	27	..
180	84	Rotaflex	196	..
160	127	Sarasota Tec.	153	−2
415	251	Scholes, G. H.	400	+15
135	95	Security Cente	112	..
200	130	Sound Diffusn	104	−10
152	97	S.T.C.	188	−3
343	158	Stone Intnl.	206	−2
155	132	z Sunleigh Ele.	161	−1
15	7	Suter	7	..
157	91	Systems Desgs	140	−2
365	325	Systems Relbly	535	..
375	210	z TDS Circuits	255	..
500	378	Telefusion	470	+5
99	24	Telemetrix	33*	..
400	235	Tele Rentals	400	+10
210	168	THORN EMI	210	..
422	365	Tunstall Tele	422	−9
355	203	Unitech	355	..
308	230	Unitd Leasing	237	−8
348	200	Utd. Scientific	310	+7
175	175	VG Instruments	175	+5
264	150	[illegible]	263	+3

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
81	35	Chatron N.V.	45	..
148	67	Voles	150	..
177	119	z Webber Elec	136	−2
47	32	Western Selec	47	..
350	245	Wholesale Fitt	260	..
155	105	Wiclall H.	103	..
215	150	Wordplex	180	−3
62	8	z Xylixs	12	..
165	50	Aberconi Inv.	60	..
334	288	Abingworth	320	−6
193	120	Aitken-Hume	170	+2
351	340	AkrydeSmithr	340	−10
320	80	AmtofastaHld	280	..
300	280	Aust. Agric.	265	..
124	72	Barlow Hldgs.	120*	−2
16	10	Barrie Invest.	14	..
£12½	£10	Biotechngy Inv	£12½	..
107	65	Boustead	65	..
115	97	Britannia Arr.	102	−4
64	50	Centreway Tst	60	..
157	116	El Oro	157	..
690	380	Exco Intnl	680	−8
16	12½	Ex Lands	16	..
84	55	Exploratn Co.	84	..
875	670	z Framlington Gp	775	..
110	85	Frost J. & D.	72	..
36½	23½	Hampton Trs.	31½	..
695	550	HndrsnAdmin	695	+10
455	274	Inchcape	450	+3
112	46	Ivory & Sime	97	−1
38	14	Kwahu	36	..
17	10½	London & Ass	15	..
45½	34½	Lond. Inv. Tst.	38	..
523	300	M. & G. Hldgs.	425	−25
150	75	Majedie Inv.	148*	..
350	242	Mercantile Hse	338	−2
390	285	Mills & Allen	380	..
200	156	Newmarket	160	..
55	30	Parambe	47	..
170	105	Park Place Inv	140	+2
122	98	Smith Bros.	94	..
300	200	Transcont Ser	280	..
235	175	Yule Catto	225	..

FOOD & CATERING

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
35	17	Alpine Soft Dr	19	..
288	142	Argyll Group	268	+3
223	142	Ass.Brit.Foods	222	..
166	116½	Assoc. Dairies	164	−4
117	75	Assoc. Fish.	101	+7
628	417	Avana Group	608	..
235	176	Banks Sidney	205	..
12¾	8	Barker & Dbsn	9½	..
195	80	Bassett Foods	175	..
80	50	Batleys of Yk	88	..
170	105	Bejam Group	156	−2
189	158	Berisford S&W	176	+1
138	93	z Bio-Isolates	96	..
88	63	Blue Bird Conf	74	−3
64	34	Borthwick T.	34	+1
71	25	Br. Vending	35	−1
178	116	CadburySchwp	181	..
125	55	z Carvermoor	70	..
130	87	Carr's Milling	130	..
159	125	Clifford Dairies	130	..
158	93	Clifford Dairs A	118	..
128	98	Cullens Hldgs	118	..
215	105	Dee Corpn.	204	+1
59	17	England J.E.	25	..
133	80	Fisher, A.	128	−2
209	148	Fitch Lovell	195	−2
130	79	z Freshbake	100	..
305	173	Glass Glover	260	+2
170	140	Greggs	148	..
£11¼	515	Hazlewoods	£11	..
362	204	Hillards	324	..
96	61	Home Farm	61	..
183	157	zHunter Saph	150	−5
445	304	Iceland Frozen	428	..
376	175	Kennedy Brook	260	..
200	133	Kwik Save	180	−2
122	34	Lennons	85	..
130	33	Lovell, G. F.	58	..
318	156	Matthews, B.	305	..
285	239	Maynards	255	..
96	75	MeatTradeSup	79	..
216	142	Morrison, Wm	204	−2
85½	60½	Mt. Charlotte	85	+2
1253½	1277½	Nabisco	650¼	+1½
287	174	Nichols Vimto	225	..
85	45	Normans Grp.	74½	..
242	152	NorthrnFoods	240	−2
176	110	Nurdin & Peack	172	..
113	74	Park Foods	105	..
533	152	PykeHoldings	515	+5
80	32	Queens Moat	54½	..
150	85	Rank, Hcvis.	149	−1
398	327	Rowntree Mac	388	−10
346	237	Sainsbury J.	298	..
41	20	Somportex	23	..
46	27	Squirrel Horn	28	..
187	98½	Stakis Group	182	..
500	313	Tate & Lyle	448	−2
59	36	Taverner Rutld	52	..
244	154	Tesco	257	−1
717	293	Tonsaat	250	..
180	113	Unigate	159	−1
218	134	Utd. Biscuits	188	−4
100	67	Watson & Philp	92	..

INDUSTRIALS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
152	100	A.A.H.	124	−2
182	87½	A.E.	152	+1
251	204	A.G.B. Research	246	+8
131	92	AFM Group	107	..
373	207	A.P.V. Hlds.	350	+10
100	46	Aaronson Bros	97	..
56	14½	Abertorie	49	..
12	12	zAdamLeisure	13	..
158	115	Adwest	160	+2
150	92	Amari	126	+1
112	75	Amber Indust.	105	..
34	22	AngloNordic	23	..
410	380	Ang.TransInd	400	..
114	85	Appledre A&P	114	+1
276	170	Applied Comp	235	..
30	15	ArensonGroup	35	..
30	16½	Armour Trust	25	..
440	425	Ash & Lacy	420	..
29	12	Ashley Ind.	23	..
155	100	z Aspinall Hld	126	−1
342	270	Ass. Brit Ports	267	−2
398	270	Assoc. Heat	387	..
244	132	Assoc. Manc.	£40	−4
81	38	Ass. Telecom	8¼	..
21	7¼	Astra Inds.	8¼	−¼
21	12	Aurora 8%CnP	20	..
310	144	Avon Rubber	310	+10
46	36	Ayrshire Met.	29	..
82	37	BBA Group	70	..
307	222	BOC Group	298	−1
704	410	BTR	704	+3
173	133	Babcock Int.	144	−2
357	283	Baird Wm.	342	−1
213	115	Baker Perkins	213	+2
109	44	Banro Cons.	92	−6
13¼	2½	Barbican Hlds	5½	+¼
13½	7½	Barlow	8½	..
47	11	Barrett Ltd.	—	..
440	246	BarhamGroup	440	..
450	405	Barlow Rand	440	..
110	84	Barr & Wall 'A'	99	−1
47	32	Barrow Hepb.	43*	..
300	145	Bath&Portlnd	298	..
199	131	Beatson Clark	187	..
80	52	Beauford Grp.	70	−2
391	285	Beecham	388	−3
615½	611	BelfairConstrc	—	..
56	42	Benlox	40	+2
116	90	Berisfords	105	+1
373	235	Bestobell	258	−2
89	49	BETEC	65	+2
267	205	Bibby J.	250	+5
180	125	Biddle Hldgs	178	..
74	15	z Biomechs	15	−2
158	63	Birmid Qualcst	89½	−1
237	208	BirmnghmMint	208	..
103	69	Black Arrow	97	..
233	149	Black, P.	228	..
37	6	Blackwd Hdge	25	..
132	104	Blagden Inds.	—	..
173	63	z Blue Arrow	160	−3
205	121	Blundell Perm	152	−4
104	54	Bodycote Intn	99	..
278	120	Bookers	248	−1
192	110	Booseny & Hkes	134	..
320	148	Boot, Henry	285	..
214	144	Boots	172	+1
9	5	Boulton Wm.	8	..
268	140	Bowater Inds.	260	−1
100	72	BrahamMillar	68*	..
177	114	Braithwte&Co	122	..
228	143	Brammer	305	+1
51	32	Bregway	48	−1
48	35	Brengreen Hld	45	−2

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68	46	Brickhse Dud.	68	..
157	68	Bridon	150	+1
138	75	Bridport Gndry	128	..
242	223	z Brit. Bloodst	252	+2
332	225	B.E.T.	287	..
152	81	Brit. Sten Spc.	127	..
145	56½	Brit. Syphon	144	−1
95	59	Brit. Tar	92	−1
205	150	Brit. Vita	177*	..
393	292	BrokenHillPty	380	+7
129	83	BrookSt. Bur.	104	..
134	87	Brown & Tawse	124	−1
60	45	Brown John	52	−1
128	60	Brunton Mus	76	..
480	290	Bullough	480	..
30	15	Burco Dean	30	−2
150	49	Burnett PrdOrd	150	..
98½	31½	Burns Anderson	96½	+1½
77	8	z Business Co.	35	..
38	15	Butterfld Hrvy	26	..
185	113	z CVD Intnl.	185	..
61	27	C.H. Industrial	57	..
38½	17½	Camford Eng.	22	−2
27	22	Campari	27	−2
38½	31½	Caparo Inds.	34½	..
117	32	Cape Indust.	58	−5
247	182	Carelo Eng.	250	..
127	91	Cartwright R.	106	..
32½	20	Celestion Inds	28½	..
14	7	Cen & Sheerwd	9½	..
58½	13	Centrewa Ltd	13	..
94	66	Chamberln Ph	77	..
155	95	Channel Tunl.	140	..
605	400	Chemring	495	..
165	72	China Light	163	+2
650	384	Christies Intl.	638	+2
50	31	Christie-Tyler	47	..
42	30	Christy Bros.	33	..
150	85	Clarke Clemnt	95	+1
115	39	Coln Inds.	90	+2
185	118	Cole Group	132	..
55	11	Contach	53	..
85	40	Concentric	69	..
40	28	ContStationry	30	..
64	40	Cook, Wm.	52	..
578	339	CooksonGroup	577	−1
13½	8½	Cooper Indus.	12	..
190	140	Cope Allman	180	−1
83	43	Cosalt	59½	+½
287	98	Courtney Pope	287	+2
50	35	Cowan de Grt.	38	..
88	71	Crest Nich	82	..
185	155	Crown House	185	..
480	275	DPCE	455	..
500	370	Dalgety	503	+1
215	148	Davies & Nwm	165	..
111	47	Davy Corpn.	110	..
880	558	De La Rue	855	+25
134	84½	Delta Group	133½	..
157	88	Dartland Ssp.	137	..
188	75	Desoutter	168	+5
282	185	Diploma Ltd.	195	−17
90½	64	Dobson Park	86	..
89	75	Dominion Intl	83	+1
100	68	Double Eagle	88	+1
48	32	Dufay Bitum.	40	..
£15½	640	Duncan Gdrck	£18½	..
87	54	Dunlop	67	+1
42	24½	Duport	28½	+1½
25	14	Dwek Group	14	..
365	174	Eastern Prod.	365	+3
134	94	Edbro (Hldgs)	134	+2
83	27	Elbar Indust.	50	..
100	70	Eleco	93	..
192	140	E.I.S.	180	..
£31½	£20	Electrolux B.	£31½	+1½
73½	57	Elliott B.	70	..
12½	6	ElswickHoppr	10½	−½
28	261	EngChinaClay	269	−2
32½	18	Epicure Hldgs	18	−4
194	115	Equipu	194	+6
126	80	Erskine House	87	..
162	82½	Europ. Ferries	148½	−1½
129	97	Eur Ferries PC	113	..
190	92	Evered	190	+2
146	102	Evode Hldgs.	120	+3
100	77	Expamet	98	..
355	215	Extel	325	+5
63	37	Falcon Ind.	57	−1
156	75	Farmer, S. W.	78	..
36	24	Feedex	32	..
165	95	Fenner, J. H.	150	..
108	76	z Ferrabrook	92	..
166	150	Ferguson Ind.	146	..
143	118	Fife Indmar	135*	+9
76	38	Finlay, Jas.	146	..
63	40	Finlay Packns	59	..
260	169	First Leisure	256	+6
34	15	Fst Pacific Int	3¼	..
46½	15½	Firth, G. M.	45½	−1
313	170	Fisons	307	+2
156	95	FletcherChall.	135	..
98	98	Flexello	86	..
51	31	Fobel Intnl	35	..
136	73	Fogarty, E.	74	..
34	17	Folkes H.n.v.	34	+1
948	144	Foseco Min.Sp	948	..
164	104	Fothergill & H	158	..
158	74	FrancisIndust	129	..
100	65	French Thos.	72	+2
190	160	Friedland Doz	187	..
90	79½	GEI Internatl	87	..
67	47	GRA Group	52	..
250	185	G. E. (Holdgs)	210	..
65	40	Garton Engrg.	54	..
110	90	Gestetner 'A'	100	..
94	50	Gleves Group	70	+2
215	152	Gill & Dufus	138	−3
£12⅝	768	Glaxo Holdgs.	£11⅛	+⅛
190	129	Glynwed	188	−1
40	19	Gonme Hldgs	38	..
117	78	GrampianHlds	113	+3
226	142	Granada	190	−2
253	253	Grand Met	288	−3
55	32	Greenbank	35	−1
518	128	G.K.N.	232	+2
320	102½	Haden	307	..
240	218	HallEngrin'ag	188	..
315	218	Hall Matthew	308	−4
172	115	Halltte	162	..
237	135	Halma	225	..
24	15½	Hampson Inds	20½	..
63	35	Hamimex Corp	64	..
169	127	Hanover Inv.	130	+2
231	108	Hanson Trust	211	−9
136	95	Hargreaves	105	−1
185	94	Harris Phillip	186	..
475	312	Harrison & Cr.	436	−7
474	332	Hawker Siddly	413	−10
114	13	Hawley Group	109	−2
20¾	13	Hawtin	20¼	+½
88	59	Hay Norman	88	..
105	55	Henara	55	−5
157	125	HepwthCrmic	146	..
78	40	Hestair	71	..
88	45	Hewitt, J.	74	−2
70	48	Hill & Smith	69	..
85	58	Hollis Bros	65	..
94	51	Holt Lloyd	90	..
162	108	Hopkinsons	162	+1
165	132	Horizon Trav.	153	..
6	10	Howard Mach.	10½	−1
89½	60	Howden Grp.	88	+1
43½	15	Humphrs Hld.	24	..
115	87	Hunter	92	..
275	168	HuntingAssoc	190	+8
268	86	Hutchsn W'hm	228	−2
35	17	Hyman, I.&J.	31	..
29½	14½	z ICC Oils	23½	..
170	170	Imp.Cold Stge	200	−20
111	80	Ind. Inds.	90	−3
60	60	Initial	650	..
548	383	Insight	106	..
118	76	Intasun	112	+2
185	80	Int. City Inv	36½	..
475	236	zInteream Tch	415*	..
58	42	z Interpleco	—	..
37	29½	Jacks, Wm.	33½	−1
111	50½	Jackson J&HB	110	−1
151	55	Jardine Mthsn	101	−5
19	18	Johnsn & F'rth	18	..
457	307	Johnson Clnrs	434	..
267	63	JohnsnMatthy	68	−2
150	150	Johnston Grp.	170	−10
72	111	JonesShipman	72	..
145	111	Jones Stroud	138	..
131	98	Jourdan Thos.	128*	..
289	125½	Julian's Hld.	208	+4
54	11½	Kalamazoo	31	..
10½	150	Keep Tst.	19¼	+¼
234	77	Kelsey Indust	234	..
148	100	KennedySmale	90	..
280	125	Kirsch	120	..
250	77	Kitchn Taylor	175	+5
133	77	L.C.P.	133	..
281	183	L.R.I Internatl	111	..
34	22½	Ladbroke	281	−1
165	54	Ladies Pride	23*	..
78	42	Laird Group	166	+2
75	15	Lake & Elliott	77	..
64½	15	Lawtex	75	+17
75	30	Lee Arthur	34	−½
75	30	LeisreTmeIntl	62	..
333	30	Lep Group	247	−3

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48	28	Lingard	29	..
55½	27	Lloyd, F. H.	52	..
36½	19½	Locker Thos.	26	..
25	18½	Locker, T. 'A'	23½	−½
205	118	Lon. Mid. Ind.	188	+2
93	65	Lon. & North.	79½	−½
365	179	Lon. Park Hls	360	..
104	52	Longton Inds.	92	..
187	167	Lonrho	170	+1
375	138	Low & Bonar	375	+5
37½	9	M.J.L.	15½	−½
357	287	M. L. Holdgs.	330	..
51	35	M S Intnl	45	−1
29	22	M. Y. Dart	26½	−½
188	132	Macarthy's P.	185	+3
225	134	MacfarlaneGp	222	+2
160	117	M'mountAser	151	..
325	160	Man. ShipCan	292	−1
61	36	Magne Bronze	57	..
106	65	Marley	81*	−1
98	49	Marling Inds.	86	..
232	174	MarshallHalfx	225	..
77	42	Marshalls Un.	71	−1
10	32	Martin Black	—	..
355	212	Martonair	355	..
156	110	McKechnie	147	..
173	73	Medminster	170*	..
95	51	Mezritt	86	−½
182½	80	Messina	113	..
452	288	Metal Box	425	−5
218	129	Metal Closures	167	..
62	39	Metalrax	59	..
135	73	zMidlandMars	83	+8
240	138	r Miss World	250	..
84½	45	Mitch. Cotts	83	−½
65	45	Mitchell Som.	63	..
65	17	z Mnemos	60	..
151	103	Molins	152	..
212	148	Morgan Cru.	212	+11
74	35	Myson Group	69½	..
43	28	Nash Inds.	33	..
35	15	z Nation Lesre	24½*	−½
30	18	Neepsend	13	−½
46	39	Nell & Spencer	41	..
180	41½	Neill, James	137	..
97	75	Newman Tnks	91	+1
46	9	zNimslo	27	..
184	138	Norcros	164	+2
38	12	NorfolkCpHls	26	−1
78	53	Nu-Swift	55	..
90	35	Ocean Wilson	47*	−1
160	133	Office & Elect.	158	+8
£12½	565	OK Bazaars	580	..
675	485	Oriflame	650	..
31½	14½	zOwnersAbr'd	26½	−½
186	149	P&M Intnl	179	..
204	148	Parker KnollA	188	+1
55	24	zParkfield Fy.	53	..
152	109	Paterscns-Zoc	134	+2
375	157	Pauls	368	+6
32	12	Pavilion Leis.	20	..
695	403	Pearson	695	+29
300	215	Pesler Hatt.	280	..
530	56	Pentland Inds	480	..
46	17	Pentos	45	+½
£10½	545	Photo-Me	£10⅝	..
385	227	PilkingtonBrs	300	−5
130	55	zPineapple D.	65	..
90	55	Planet Group	76	..
46	35	Plastic Cons.	48	..
10	6	Platinum	9	..
137	105	z Platon	137	..
455	285	Pleasurama	425	..
341½	156½	Polly Peck	254	−1
19	6	Polymark	10	−½
613	470	Portals	585	−5
144	75	Porter Chadbn	110	..
390	178	Powell Duffryn	387	−1
77	26	Pratt, F.	77	..
25	5	Priest, B.	9¼	+¼
121	56	Prince of Wles	115	..
131½	82½	PritchardServ	85	−1
39	24	z Protimeter	39	..
376	227	R.E.A. Holds.	365	+2
198	84	R.F.D. Group	93	+3
104	35	R.H.P.	104	..
35½	12½	ETD	23½	..
95	55	Radiant Metal	85	+3
118	66	z Ranco Oil	78	..
373	182	Rank Org.	370	..
633	359	Ransome Sims	610	−5
578	417	Reckitt & Chan	555	..
119	45	Redfearn Nat.	80	..
4	4	Redman Heen	—	..
140	63	ReedExecutive	128	..
592	374	Reed Internatl	674	+2
38	18½	Reliance Ind.	35	..
95	76	Relyon Group	86	..
388	194	Renishaw	373	−2
55	25	Renold	50½	..
145	92	Renwick Grp.	148	+5
115	72	Resmor Grp.	114	..
360	306	Reuters B.	360	+4
36	21½	Rexmore	25	..
115	30	Ricardo & Co.	96	..
30	15	Rich Westrth.	19	..
148	16	Riley Leisure	43	−4
7	184½	Rock	10½	..
29	20	Rockware Gp.	32	+3
110	90	zRolfe&Nolan	125	..
255	141	Ropner	134	..
141	4½	Rotaprint	6¼	−¼
13½	75	Rotork	129	+2
109	11½	Ryan Internat	12	+1
20	30	S.I.G. Duval.	45	+3
52	24	SI Group	43	+3
185	88	Saga Holidays	180*	−3
519	257	SaleTilney	485	..
910	350	Samuelsn Grp	930	..
94	56	SandhurstMkg	77	..
56	34	Sangers	56	+1
57	18	z Sangers Ph.	57	+2
87	84	SavilleGordon	85	..
400	268	Savoy Hotel A	358	..
500	341	Scapa Group	503	−7
70	41	Scott Herbtr	66	+1
270	161	Serlor Grp 'A'	255	−2
165	123	z SecurGuard	157	..
288	232	SecurtysvsOrd	237	−5
25	15½	Senior Engrs.	24½	+½
27	24	Sharna Ware	84	..
87	54	zSheldonJones	80	..
102	132	Sidlaw Group	160	..
385	335	Siebe	850	..
77	37	Silentnight	57	..
93½	64	Sime Darby	78½	−5
254	185	Simon Engng.	252	..
100	62½	600 Group	99	−1
432	346	Sketchley	380	..
235	145	Smith & Neph	229	+1
201	120	Smith Indust.	192	−1
44	34	SmithWh. wth	43	..
90	30	Solicitors Law	46	+3
64	27½	Sparrow G.	39	..
172	128	Spear & Jacksn	142	..
155	46	Spear J. W.	124	..
145	115	z Spectrum	115	..
470	170	Spirax Sarco	266	−2
185	65	z Spring Ram	183	−2
131	101	Stag Potteries	35	+1
112	20	Stag Furniture	68	..
75	20	z Stainless Met	57	..
25	20	z Staneleco	24	..
326	224	Staveley	334	..
570	388	Steel Bros	570	..
325	327	Steetley	303	..
35	33	Sterling Inds.	93	+10
135	135	Stocklake Hld	136	..
115	120	Stonehill	115	−3
120	108	Stothert & Pitt	120	−½
11	7	Sumner, F.	10	..
252	210	Sunlight Serv.	230	+2
42	30	Supra Group	56	+1
35	22	Sutcliffe Spmn	32	..
526	522	Swed Match B	£21	..
301	128½	Swire Pacific	260	−2
200	142	Sytone	194	..
30	11	Symonds Eng.	18	..
466	137	T.A.C.E.	452	..
218	162	T.I. Group	218	−6
318	240	TSL Therm Syn	228	−12
75	42	Tex Abrasives	73	..
55	42	Thomsn T-line	48	..
£27	817½	Tiser Oats	£23	−½
120	120	Tomkins, F. H.	179	..
30	30	Tottenham H.	64	..
110	110	Tope & Co.	110	..
38	24	Toter Kemsley	38	..
374	210	Traf. Hse. Ltd.	352	−2
120	84	Transport Dev	130	+3
40	16	Trelts	39	..
38	25	Triplex Fndry	36	..
161	55	Trust Heat Forte	156	−1
121	55	Turner & New	118	..
121	65	UKO Intnl	115	−2
87	21	Ulmroup	30½	..
£12½	835	Unilever	£12½	..
655	132	Unilever N.V.	651½	+⅛
83	35	UnionSteelSA	49½	..
205	126	U.F.I.	206	+6
59	17	Uddingr'ntes	18	+1
130	60	United Parcels	95	+2
315	160	Uneo Hldgs	160	..
205	108	Valor	203	..

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255	126	Vickers	248*	..
134	78	Victor Prods	110	..
324	175	Vinten Group	176	..
289	152	Vosper	266	−2
123	65	Wades Potts	118	+3
163	108	Watkin	140	..
134	95	Wason Indus	127	..
51½	21½	Watrird Glass	50	..
107	76	Watson Kelvn	96	−1
236	117	Wedgwood	217	−1
19	9	Weeks Assoc	11	..
54½	26	Weir Group	51	..
21½	9½	Wellman	12½	..
19	12½	z Welpac	14½	..
107	62	West's Group	79	+1
89	25	Wheelock Mar	87	+2
118	64	Whessoe	96	..
171	138	Whitecroft Ind	146	..
215	140	Wilkes, J.	207	..
255	130	Williams Hlds	250	−3
28	18	Williams J (Cdf)	20	..
170	117	Wills, George	133	..
40	30	Wire & Plastic	38	..
332	220	Wolsey Hughs	321	+3
28	11	Woodhse Rixn	27*	..
460	239	Yarrow	460	+5
36	12	z YorkgreenIn	15	..
119	66	Zetters	108	..
136	27	z Zygal Dynam	50	..

INSURANCE

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
£28½	£13	Alex & Alext'n	£28⅛	..
692	457	Alx&Alxll%Cn	692	+5
£303¼	£160½	Allianz Vers.	£282	+5
668	425	Britannic	665	−3
203	163	Commercial U	194	−4
375	192	Eagle Star	248	−2
567	430	General Accdt	556	+1
695	505	G.R.E.	680	+2
542	357	Hambro Life	540	..
645	518	Heath, C. E.	630	−1
295	130	Hogg R'bnsn	293	+1
642	418	Legal & Gen.	640	−3
722	442	London & Man	680	+5
292	186	London Utd.	287	..
682½	426½	Marsh & Mcln	£59½	+2¼
283	137	Minet Hldgs.	280	−1
850	284	PWS Intl.	846	..
£11¾	719	Pearl	£11⅛	..
565	431	Prudential	582	−2
£16½	620	Reed Stenh'se	£16⅛	−¼
338	262	Refuge	330	+2
597	385	Royal	586	−2
387	210	Sedgwick Grp	378	+1
619	297	Stewrt Wri'son	607	+2
448	335	Sun Alliance	448	..
794	545	Sun Life	765	−5
298	158	Trade Indem.	296	..
659	350	Willis Faber	656	+1
52	31	Windsor Secs.	47	..

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
189	119	Aberdeen Tst.	180	+1
698	443	Alliance Trust	690*	..
507	320	Altifund Cap.	507	−4
230	155	AmbroseInCp	230	..
154	88	AmericanTstOr	151	..
300	220	Ang.-Am Sec	300	+4
100	64	Archimedes Cp	98	..
127	108	ArchimedesIn	110	..
455	318	Ashdown	453	+1
120	75	AtlanticAssets	112	..
102	76	Bankers Inv.	101	..
194	132	Berry Trust	190	..
175	117	Border & Sthn	175	+2
107	79	Brit. Am & Gen	106	..
215	141	Brit. Assets T	208*	−1
35	15	Brit. Control	30	..
372	263	British Invest	370	..
75	55	Brunner Inv.	75	..
113	77	CJH Pacific	109	−1
285	144	Caledonia Inv	265	−20
87	59	Charter Tst.	87	+1
689	412	Con. & Ind. Tst.	680	..
177	124	CrescentJapan	165	+1
315	225	CrysticSphroid	318	..
68	51½	Dane Inv. Inc	66	..
106	84	Derby Tst Inc	101	..
295	242	Drayton Cons.	288	−2
428	291	Drayton Japan	416	+2
412	294	Drayton Prem	408	..
£10⅛	728	Dualvest Cap.	£10⅛	..
176	140	Dundee & Ldn	176	..
255	145	Edin. Amercn.	230*	..
49	39	Edinburgh Fin	49	..
116	86	Edin. In Ord.	115	+1
124	95	Electra Inv.	124	+3
292	209	Electric & Gen	292	..
106	71	Eng & NewYork	107	..
78	53	Eng & Scot. In	77	..
156	104	Europ. Assets	154	..
97	69	F & C Alliance	97	+2
141	98	F&CEurotrust	140	..
165	115	F & C Pacific	150	+1
279	194	FirstScot. Am.	270*	−1
45	26	Fledgly Japan	44	..
595	344	Fleming Amer	575	−2
258	189	Fleming Ents.	253	..
326	228	Fleming Far E	314	+2
560	374	FlemingJapan	556	+2
117	90	Fleming Merc	116*	..
153	115	FlemingO'seas	135	+2
164	119½	Fleming Tech.	162	−2
146	99	For. & Col. Inv	143*	..
43	37	FundinvestInc	41½	..
184	123	G.T. Japan In.	179	+1
92	76	Gartmore I&F	81	..
251	184	Gen. Consol.	251	+3
124	76	Glasgow Stock	134	..
276	196	Globe	276	..
230	176	GreenfriarInv	220	+2
270	165	Gresham Hse.	250	..
163	113	Hambros Ord.	162	−1
254	198	Hill, Philip	246	−1
320	215	Indepndt. In	310	..
235	163	Investors Cap.	235	..
64½	45	Japan Assets	60½	+1
121	85	Jos. Holdings	121*	+4
63½	51	Jove Tst. Inc.	63½	..
325	225	Lake View Tst	325	+1
191	135	Law Deben	189	−2
318	198	Lon. & Gartmre	318	..
187	125	Lond. & Strth.	187	..
83	61	Lon. Merchant	70	..
108	73	London Trust	108	..
324	286	M&G Dual In.	310	..
227	110	M & G 2nd Inc.	110	..
99	68	Merchants Tst	99	+1
175	121	Monks Invest.	173	..
98	71	Murray Grwth	97*	+½
117½	85	Murray Incme	117	..
133	91	Murray Intnl.	129	+1
289	203	Murray Vents.	289	+1
76	59	NewDarienOil	75	..
30½	30	NewThrocCap	30½	..
45	34	NewThroc Inc	37½	..
215	179	New Tokyo	215	..
324	221	Nth Atlantic S	321	..
136	98	PreciousMetls	102	+1
337	242	Raeburn	337	+3
168	86	River & Merc.	153	..
236	168	RiverPlate&G	223	−2
196	137	Robeco Fl 5	192	..
172	123	RolincoSub. S	168	..
367	181	Romney Trust	367	..
111	885	Rorento	£10¼	..
226	173	SPLIT Inc.	226	..
265	173	Scot. AmernIn	252	..
169	116	Scot. Eastern	167	..
273	191	Scot. Inv Tst.	271	−1
407	279	Scot Mrt & Tst	407	..
244	185	Scot. National	243	..
130	90	Scot. Northern	126	..
595	388	Sec. AllianceTst	595	+1
122	96	Secs. Trst. Scot	122	+1
76	51	Small Co's Inv	76	..
146	93	Stockholders	139	..
95	74	TR Australia	90	..
84	65	TR City of Lon	84	..
156	121	TR Ind & Gen	154	..
259	198	TR Nat Resou	261	..
222	156	TR N. Americ	214	..
261	191	TR Pacific Bas	269	+1
144	109	TR Property	144	..
101	68	TR Technology	99	..
137	95	TR Trustees	138	..
122	96	Temple Bar In	116	..
273	186	Thro Grth Cap	272	..
235	180	Throg. Trust	235	..
195	133	Trans. Oc'n Tst	198	..
122	93	Tribune Inv.	117	..
78	58½	Triplevest Inc	77½	..
217	152	U.S. Debenture	211	..
92	73	Viking Resour	77	−1
74	52	Westpool Inv.	68	+3
186	138	Whitbread In.	168	+4
109	58	Winterb'm Tst	109	..
160	109	Witan Inv.	157	..
284	206	Yeoman	282	..

LEATHER & SHOES

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
525	332	Church & Co.	505	..
242	190	FII Group	225*	..
200	135	Garner Booth	192	..
48	32	Headlam Sims	33	..
217	164	Lambert Hth.	217	..
133	60	NewboldBrtn	68*	..
112	70	Pittard Grp	106	..
253	105	Strong & Fisher	150	+5
206	79	Stylo	193	..

MINING

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
150	100	Afex Corpn.	120	..
25½	20	Amal Fin. Inv.	23	..
£21	£13½	Ang. Am. Coal	£18½	..
£14	925	An.Am.Cp.SA	£10⅝	..
£85½	666	Ang. Amer. Gld	£74	+½
£53	437	Ang. Amer. Inv	£41	+1
£36½	826	Anglo Vaal 'A'	£30	..
41	17	Aust. Cons Min	28½	−½
295	210	Ayer Hitam	280	..
170	129	Berjuntai Tin	135	−5
17	12	Bisichi Tin	17	..
811	622	Blyvoor	779	−3
24½	12½	Botswana	15	..
173	91	Bougainville R	122	+2
271	135	Bracken	169*	+2
£40½	£28	Buffels	£32½	−½
86	44	Carr Boyd	54	−1
46	20	Central Pacific	21	−1
268	170	Charter Cons.	200	−2
35½	26	z Clozan Gold	28	..
628	463	Consol Gold	478*	−7
570	197	Cons Mobil	510	+10
958	450	Cons Murchsn	450	..
417	341	De Beers	412	−4
350	182	Deelkraal	240	+5
£20¼	£10¼	Doornfontein	£11⅛	−½
£28½	£16¼	Driefontein	£22¾	−½
£12½	586	Durban Deep	£10⅝	+⅛
325	168	E. Daggafontn	192	+13
73	25	EastRand Con	72	..
736	375	E.R.G.O.	450	−12
£12½	597	East Rand Pps	680	−5
£10½	532	Elandsrand	645	+20
345	270	Elsburg	308	+8
16½	7½	Endeavour	8½	..
900	325	Freddies	575	..
£31½	£17½	F. S. Geduld	£19⅛	+1½
248	136	Geevor	243	..
£13½	840	Genbel	925	..
£17½	810	Gencor	£10¼	..
65	57	Globe & Phnx	57	..
15½	9	Gold & Base	13	..
228	115	Goldfields Prp	124	..
£19	£10⅜	Gold Fields SA	£15⅛	..
275	140	Gopeng	165	..
£11¼	560	Grootvlei	670	..
258	152	Hampton Areas	188	..
£17½	£10⅛	Harmony	£12⅛	−⅛
692	374	Hartebeest	448	−31
48	20	Hill Minerals	24	+1
£11½	880	Impala Plat.	920*	−10
239	166	Johnnies	£78	..
12½	7½	Kia Ora	8¼	..
179	105	Killinghall	115	+5
£23½	£15⅛	Kinross	£15⅛	+1⅛
£40½	£28½	Kloof	£32⅝	+1
284	158	Leslie	230*	..
£28½	£15¼	Libanon	£16½	+½
715	345	Loraine	280	+5
715	480	LydenburgPlt	505*	+10
35	50	Malaysia Min.	55	..
306	135	Marievale	147	−4
118	22	Meekathara	85	−5
118	22	Metals Explor	30	−1
£12¼	615	Middle Wits	850	+12
790	478	Minorco	720	+10
252	156	M.I.M. Hldgs.	172	−8
29	8	M.T.D. Mang.	15	..
23	12	Nerri River	23	+2
665	362	New Wits	438	..
212	129	Nth. Brkn Hill	142	−2
63½	29	Nth. Kalgurli	29	..
95	60	Pancontinentl	83	−1
325	249	Pekowalsend	254	+4
355	270	Petaling Tin	270	..
325	173	Poseidon	193	−2
£34¼	£29	PresidntBra'd	£20¾	+½
£42½	£21½	Pres. Steyn	£25	+⅛
£115¼	872	Randfontein	£82	+2
720	438	Rand M Props	890	..
712	580	Rio Tinto Zinc	643	−2
890	617	Rustenburg	690	−10
£26½	£12⅛	St. Helena	£15	+⅛
82	33	Saltrust 'A'	—	..
65	33	Sons of Gwalia	62	+1
588	200	S. AfricanLnd.	250	−3
16	8¼	Southn Pacific	9½	..
£61½	530	Southvaal	£25	+1¼
£12¼	740	Stilfontein	780	..
385	256	Sungei Besi	280	..
425	350	Tanjong	250	..
650	345	Tronoh Tin	510	..
915	574	Unisel	639*	+28
£45½	£57½	Vaal Reef	£52	+1½
£12¼	597	Ventersport	680	−3
64	35	Vultan	35	−1
992	585	Welkom	638	+25
720	328	W. Rand Cons.	367	−58
535	350	WesternAreas	380	+12
£46½	189	Western Deep	£34	+½
£35½	125	WesternHldgs	£26	+¾
287	182	WesternMining	224	+4
£48½	121	Winkelhaak	£25½*	+¼
235	68	Wit. Nigel	90	..
180	98	Zambia Cons.	108	+3
21	12½	Zam Copper	17½	−¼
108	61¼	Zandpan	79	..

MOTORS & AIRCRAFT

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
65	30	A.C. Cars	60	−5
11¼	6¼	Alexander Hld	9	−¼
82	27	ApplerardGp.	66	−1
172	138	Arlington	170	..
37½	25	Armstrong Eq	35½	−½
31	12½	Automotive	66	..
24	14½	B.S.G. Intntl.	35½	−½
18	11	Bluemel Bros	14	..
172	131	Bramall, C.D.	140	..
385	311	Br. Aerospace	568	−7
129	80	Brit. Car Auct.	87	+1
76	38	B.L.	42	..
140	115	Caffyns	140	..
50	33½	Cowie T.	50*	+1
130	72	Davis Godfrey	116	..
215	132	Dowty Group	204	−1
45	30	E.R.F.	37	..
327	213	Flight Refuel.	323	−4
223	118	Ford	204	−1
88	49	Gates, F.G.	65	..
378	237	Gen. Motors	363	−2
98	35	Hartwell Grp.	94	..
367	170	Jaguar	355	−1
98	34	Jessups	68	..
165	81	Kenning	109	..
54	18	Kwik-Fit Hds	30	..
456	193½	Lex Serv Grp.	209*	+12
115	67	Lookers	83*	..
118	54	Lotus Cars	100	−3
283	159	Lucas Inds	279	+5
14½	10	ManorNat. Gp.	12½	..
120	80	Perry, Harold	87	..
66	62	Plaxton	81	..
59	42	Quick, H. J.	42	..
192	85	Soley, J.	93	..
185	107	WestladAircft	114	−1
38	19	Woodhead J.	27	+1
42	21	York Trailer	27	+1

OIL SHARES

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
38	12	Amer Oilfields	—	..
128	90	Ampol Petrol.	116½	+½
81	45	Anvil	63	..
65	30	Aran Energy	48	..
152	50	Atlantic Reso.	68	..
158	75	Atlantis Res.	90	..
35	20	Aust Oil & Gas	35½	−½
159	80	Berkeley Exp.	153	−2
64	20	Bristol Oil	28	+1
355	243	Brit. Borneo	318	−2
575	383	British Petrol	525*	−12
275	185	Britoil	205	−10
35	10	/ Bula Resourc	13	..
235	182	Burmah	201	−1
248	153	Carless Capel.	165	..
86	54	Century Oils	80	+1
69	46	Charterhall	51	..
173	45	Chartrhse Petrl	88	−1
112	45	z Clyf Oil	50	..
150	85	Clyde Petrolm	90	..
206	173	Enterprise Oil	198	−7
500	86	Falcon Res.	459	+15
192	115	Firstland Oil	185	−5
190	70	z Floyd Oil	88	+3
450	323	Global N Reset	325	..
140	80	Goal Petrol.	125	+10
290	165	Gt. West. Res.	248	+10
48	35	Hadson Petrol	44	..

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
114¼	89½	Hamilton Oil	£14½	+½
160	126	HuntingPetrol	134	..
530	250	Imp. Cont. Gas	530	+7
115	53	Jackson Exp.	98	..
182	110	z JebsonsDrll	125	..
55	20	KCA Drilling	20	..
385	258	LASMO	336	−10
570	403	LASMO 'Ops'	520	−1
112	75	Mariner Pet.	76	..
61	41	NewCourt Nat	58	..
132	75	z North S. Gn	100	+2
12	7½	Offshore Oil	8	..
205	70	z Oil Inspect	115	−5
23	9	Oil Search	16½	−½
40	26	Petmine Res.	38	..
525	470	Petranol	470	..
199	134	Petrocon	194	..
94	45	z Petrogen	46	..
66	42	Premier Cons.	59	..
790	575	Ranger Oil	460	−10
150½	143¼	Royal Dutch	150½	−½
400	246	z Saxon Oil	375	..
785	549	Shell Transpt	775	−10
62	31	z Southwest	35	−10
485	155	z Sovereign	172	−10
58	30	Steaua Roman	50	−1
82	39	T.R. Energy	54	−1
38	9¼	TarsetPet P pd	9½	+½
26	12	Texas I. Petrl	—	..
298	175	z Tricentrol	210	−8
260	185	Ultramar	208	−3
75	45	Warrior Reso.	68	−4
89	50½	Woodside Pet	81½	+1

PAPERS & PUBLISHERS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
650	136	z Addison Com	305	..
111	74	Abbcom Int.	95	..
428	253	Assoc. Book	428	+13
665	378	Assoc. News	620	−5
204	116	Assoc. Paper	197	+5
185	155	Bemrose Corp	168	..
710	565	Bunzl Masson	690	..
485	393	Bristol E. Post	465	..
224	139	BPCC	186	+5
170	125	Brunning Grp.	165	−5
471	258	Bunzl	463	−5
650	389	Carlton Comm	650	+10
280	235	Chapman Inds	278	+21
125	85	Clay, Richard	108	..
730	358	Collins W. Ord	725	+5
125	66	Cropper J.	125	+5
113¼	640	Daily Mail Tst.	£13	−⅛
170	104	D.R.G.	166	−1
106	68	East Mid 'A'	98	..
282	134	Fleet Hldgs.	287	−5
158	94	Geers Gross	146	+1
278	195	Good Relat'ns	225*	−5
370	172	HaynesPublsh	355*	..
49	36	z Hoggett Bow	39	..
176	118	HomesCount N	133	..
176	83	z Horne (Rht)	166	..
240	147	z Hunterprint	240	..
176	110	Independt News	140	..
618	362	Intl. Thomson	587	−5
585	140	z KLP Group	585	..
159	130	L. A. Holdgs	141	+4
313	162	Lowe, H. & F.	313	+1
184	114	McCorquodale	175	..
257	112	Met Bulletin	255	..
100	63	Mor-O'Ferrall	68	..
124	69	Morgan Com	115	−1
150	89	Norton Opax	120	..
905	461	Octopus	905	..
45	36	Olives Paper	22	−1
410	166	z Paze Michael	410	..
172	138	Portsmth & Sun	143	..
280	175	Routledge&K	280	..
940	522	Saatchi	910	+10
110	67	Scott & Robsn	110	−4
136	76	Smith, David	152	..
154	116	Smurfit, J.	153	..
65	75	z TradePrsenr	85	..
265	192	Trinity Intnl.	265	..
347	265	Utd. Newspapr	315	+2
250	125	Usher Walker	195	..
382	160	z VallinPollen	382	..
41	20	Wace Group	39	..
590	305	Waddington	590	..
298	179	Watmoughs	298	+8

PLANTATIONS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
295	124	AngloIndonsn	228	..
110¼	315	Assam Doocars	950	..
265	125	Bertam Holds	137	..
117½	84	Cons. Plant	114	..
170	95	HarrisonsMly	136	−1
115	77	Highld & Low	95	−1
97	52	Jitra Rubber	65	..
107	78	Kuala Lumpur	102	−1
105	77	Kulim	89	−1
616½	715	Lawrie Plant	£14½	..
164	107	Malakoff	130	−2
310	148	McLeod Russ	287	+20
810	365	Moran	810*	..
91	65	Rowe Evans	85	+1
725	215	Warren Plant	660	−5
620	297	Williamson H.	550	−5

PROPERTY

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
18½	12½	Abaco Inv.	14½	..
108	83	Allied London	105	..
11¼	4½	Ausal Ests.	4½	..
130	100	Apex Props	105*	+2
81	58	Bairstow Eves	78	−3
428	288	Beazer C.H.	384	..
250	190	Bilton Percy	222	−5
400	275	Bradford Prop	395	−5
149	105	British Land	142	−1
149	117	BrixtonEstate	129	−1
220	179	Capital&Cnties	210	..
234	195	Centrovincial	225	−4
450	365	ChesterfieldPr	440	−5
780	615	Churchbury Est	775	..
160	85	Connells Est.	100	..
54	32½	Control Secs	32	−1
110	71	City & New T	110	..
265	200	Cussins Prop.	200	..
340	174	Dejan	340	..
25½	17½	Dares Estates	20	+½
9	1	Eldenspring	1½	..
96	10	Empty-Tst	—	..
160	128	Estates & Agcy	157	..
96	85	Est. & Gen In.	96	..
160	142	Estate Propty	148	..
75	62	Evans Leeds	73	..
270	215	Ewart New Nth	250	..
160	136	Fairview Ests	155	..
91	62	Gable House	88	..
24	20	Gilbert House	21	..
170	140	Gt Portland	158	−2
214	150	Greycoat C'tyOff	208	−2
100	82	z GrosvenorSq	100	..
515	387	Hammerson A	495	..
520	480	HaslemereEst	498	..
65	19	HK Land	55	−2½
390	255	ImryProperty	285	..
£10½	560	Intl. Inc. Prop.	975	−12
302	234	Laing Props	298	−2
45	38½	Land Invest.	45	+1
315	250	Land Securties	302	−2
160	55	Law Land	148	..
228	142	London&Edin	226	..
13	8½	z Lon&Man Sec	8½	−½
315	258	Lon & Prov Sp	280	−2
135	113	Lon Shop Prop	133	..
335	255	Lynton H'ldgs	325	..
106	69	Marshth Secs	87	−3
60	41½	Marlbro. Prop.	53	..
158	88	MarlerEstates	156	+4
118	100	z Mayf & City P	104	..
117	86½	McKay Secs	115	..
335	250	M.E.P.C.	306	−1
305	225	MountleighGp	290	..
335	315	MountviewEs	520	..
90	73	Muckiow A.J.	81	+2
86	68	New Cavsh Est	80	..
37	16	z NewEngland	21	..
57	27	Parkdale Hldg	39	..
348	184	Peachey Corp.	345*	..
337	208	Peel Holdings	333*	..
196	150	Prop & Rev	184	..
124	81	PropHol&Inv	125	..
137	112	Prop. Sec. Inv.	128	..
11	7¼	Raglan	7¼	..
94¼	64	RegalianProp.	94	..
805	255	Rosehaugh	805	..
264	194	Rush & Tmks.	224	..
157	131	Samuel Props.	152	−1
92	79	Scot. Met. Pr.	88	..

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
17	12½	z Sheraton Sec	14½	..
145	117	Slough Estates	130	−1
190	155	Speyhawk	188	..
182	132	Standard Sec.	150	..
76	43	Sterling Guar.	68	−1
35	13	Stewart Nairn	15	..
472	305	Stock Conv.	468	..
175	174¼	Stock Ex. 7¼%	£75	..
74	45	Stockley	68	−1
140	63	z Topp Estates	140	+8
47	35½	Town en Sec.	43	..
245	148	Trafford Park	210	..
192	132	z Trencherwd.	174	..
41	34	Trust of Prop.	40	+8
566	440	Utd Real Prop	495	..
95	60	Walker, Alfred	80	..
530	455	Warner Est.	600	+10
450	335	Warnford Inv	415	..
118	104	Warnt Hslon	117	..
38	17	Webb, Joseph	25	..
149¼	131½	Wereldhave	143¾	..
148	107	West & Cty Prop	147	..
34	16¼	Whittington Intl	31	+1
125	105	z Wingate	120	..

SHIPPING

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
280	162	British & Com	268	−3
137	90	Fisher, J.	115	−5
580	510	Graig Shipping	585	+5
102	84	Hunting Gibsn	96	..
60	45½	Jacobs, John	59½	..
9	2½	London & Over	2½	..
113	11	Lyle, S.	12½	+½
52½	26	Mersey Dck U	40	..
32	26	Milford Docks	75	..
166	104	Ocean Transpt	156	−1
416	240	P & O Dfrd.	355*	..
47	4	ReardonSmith	14½	−½
118	75	Runciman, W.	93	−1

TEXTILES

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
387	265	Allied Textile	386	..
153	98	Atkins Bros.	108	..
91	69	Beales, J.	72	..
107	83	Beckman, A.	90	..
29	15	Bolton Textile	24	−1
136	78½	Brit. Mohair	126	+2
75	55	Bulm & Lumb	73	..
182	150	Burmatex	154	−6
68	19½	Carpets Intn.	43	..
165	91	Coats Patons	164	−1
72½	57½	Corah	70	+1
161	109	Courtaulds	160	−1
51	35	Crowther, J.	50	..
310	185	Dawson Intnl.	298	−10
177	75	Dixon, David	164	..
72	52	Early's of Wit	72	..
16½	7	Ferguson, J.	10½	..
62	40	Foster, John	55	..
62	40	Hicking Pent.	52	..
61	20	Illingworth M	60	..
148	85	Ingram, H.	140	+8
95	45	Jerome, S.	64	..
182	97	Leeds Group	160	−2
79	49	Lister & Co.	53	+1
48	20	Lowe, Robt. H	25	+1
118	67	Lyle, S.	77	..
94	43	MCD Group	94	+4
85	56	Mackay Hugh	80	..
59	34	Martin, A.	55	+1
58	21	Munton Gp.	21	−1½
278	186	Notts Manufrs	222	−2
62	17	Nova Jersey	21	−1
60	31	Palma Group	52	..
113	67	Parkland Text	104	+1
33	21½	RamarTextile	22	..
43½	18½	Readicut	27½	..
172	85	S.E.E.T.	172	..
85	33	SandraMurray	62	−2
83	31	Sekers Intnl.	55	+2½
49	33½	Shaw Carpets	35	..
156	112	Sirdar	136	+1
98	47	StroudRiley	51	..
88	61	Textured Jsey	74	..
172	95	Tomkinsons	112	−3
79	38	Tootal	71¼	..

TOBACCOS

1984-85 High	Low	Stock	Price	+ or −
385	175	BAT Inds.	368	+5
93½	54½	Carroll Inds.	93½	..
220	137	"Imps"	186	−3
201	112	Rothmans	187	..

RIGHTS ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
39	Barrow Hepb (nil pd)	2 pm	..
125	Bibby, J. (nil pd)	25 pm	−5
365	DPCE (nil pd)	95 pm	−10
190	STC (nil pd)	10½ pm	−1½
516	Trafalgar House Inv	58 pm	..

RECENT ISSUES

Issue Price	Stock	Price	+ or −
100	Alexandra Wkwr Plc	135	..
10	Bennett Fountain	13	..
150	Berkley Tech	145	..
90	Blue Bird Toys	140	..
85	BTS Group	76	..
160	Candover	205	..
105	Consol. Terg. Inv.	98	..
197½	Exch. 11% 1990 (£20 pd)	£19⅞	−⅛
100	German Small Units	111	..
145	HillsdownHlds	160	−1
—	Johnson Mt 8% CPref	130	..
—	Kingsley & Forster	54	..
145	Mann & Co.	157	..
100	Mayhew Foods	128	+8
55	Optometric (USA)	46	−1
135	Osborne & Little	205	+3
—	P&O Conv. Pref. 6·5%	112	..
130	Penney & Giles Intl.	165	..
100	Peto	103	−1
—	Pleasurama 7% CPrf	109	..
92	Process Systems	95	..
—	Racal 5% conv.	109	..
20	Rex Williams	24	..
—	Sangers 11 3/4% Ln 94 03	132	+18
128	Sims Catering Brchrs	165	..
68	Spaiax TV	105	..
—	Spain Ln Stk 2010 (£30 pd)	£32¼	−½
174	Sunapse	220	..
—	T & S Stores	125	..
95	Whitworth Food Gp.	120	..
—	WigfallH. 7% Pref. Rcd	½	−½

TOURIST RATES

Australia	1·55 dollars
Austria	25·00 schillings
Belgium	72·10 francs
Canada	1·50 dollars
Denmark	12·91 kroner
Finland	7·54 markkaa
France	10·95 francs
Germany	3·58 marks
Greece	*147·00 drachmae
Holland	4·05 guilders
Iceland	*48·00 kronur
Ireland	1·16 punt
Israel	840·00 shekel
Italy	*2,240 lire
Japan	281 yen
Malta	*0·531 pounds
New Zealand	2·37 dollars
Norway	10·32 kroner
Portugal	*197·00 escudos
South Africa	*2·30 rand
Spain	*197·25 pesetas
Sweden	10·25 kronor
Switzerland	3·02 francs
Turkey	510·00 lira
United States	1·08 dollars
Yugoslavia	*264·00 dinars

Rates indicate approximate foreign currency bank notes obtainable for sterling in Britain.
* Subject to limit.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

		Close	Day's range	Contracts traded	High-Low
Long Gilt	Mar	103·27	104·10—103·24	91	105·02—101·22
	June	104·13	105·05—104·04	3949	106·19—101·25
US T-bond	Mar	69·10	69·28—69·04	175	74·06—59·25
	June	68·11	69·04—68·06	2050	72·16—58·17
3 month £	June	88·15	88·34—87·95	3178	90·15—87·35
	Sept	88·70	88·75—88·58	107	88·70—88·70
3 month Euro-dollar	June	89·34	89·57—89·27	6288	90·89—89·34
	Sept	88·78	89·01—88·76	586	88·95—88·78
Sterling	June	1·0720	1·0770—1·0700	30	1·1438—1·0000
	Sept	1·0685	1·0755—1·0725	4	1·0785—1·0685
D-mark	June	0·3002	0·3009—0·3001	22	0·3089—0·2911
	Sept				0·3045—0·3045
Swiss Franc	June	0·3539	0·3538—0·3532	8	0·3588—0·3465
	Sept	—	—	—	
Yen	June	—	—	—	0·3887—0·3850
	Sept				
FT-SE 100	Mar	129·40	130·00—129·10	197	131·00—112·00
	June	129·90	130·20—129·60	69	131·00—120·40

Contracts specifications include: Long-Gilt—notional 20 year stock with 12 pc coupon and face value of £50,000. US T-bond—notional 15 year stock with 8pc coupon and face value of $100,000. 3 month sterling eurodollars—£250,000 (US$ 1 million with cash settlement option. Currencies are quoted against the dollar with face values of £25,000. Dm 125,000 Swf. 125,000 and Yen 12,500,000. FT-SE 100 quoted one-tenth the index with face value of £25 per index point. Settlement cash only.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

Option		Ex'cise Price	CALLS Closing Offer (P) APR.	JULY	OCT.	PUTS Closing Offer (P) APR.	JULY	OCT.
BP		500	40	57	67	12	20	27
BP		550	14	30	47	42	50	55
Comm. Union		180	18	24	28	6	11	15
Comm. Union		200	8	13	18	17	20	24
Cons. Gold		460	35	47	60	6	14	20
Cons. Gold		500	15	25	35	50	38	47
Courtaulds		140	25	27	32	3	6	8
Courtaulds		160	8	15	19	7	10	14
GEC		180	28	38	44	5	8	8
GEC		200	12	22	30	8	12	16
Grand Met.		280	22	30	40	9	12	16
Grand Met.		300	9	20	27	25	25	33
ICI		800	33	60	77	25	37	47
ICI		850	16	35	50	65	64	70
Land Securities		280	27	32	37	3	5	7
Land Securities		300	13	19	25	8	13	18
Marks&Spencer		130	16½	22	26	3	7	7
Marks&Spencer		140	9	14	20	7	10	15
Shell		750	40	46	62	23	33	40
Shell		800	15	28	37	53	58	66
Traf. House		325	39	44	49	3	6	9
Traf. House		365	18	24	32	12	17	21

Option		Ex'cise Price	CALLS MAY	AUG.	NOV.	PUTS MAY	AUG.	NOV.
Exchequer 10pc 1988		£92	2½	3	3½	½	2½	1½
Exchequer 10pc 1989		£94	1¼	2	2½	1¼	1½	1¼
Barclays		550	52	77	92	12	17	25
Barclays		600	28	45	60	25	42	50
BAT Inds		360	28	43	53	25	35	40
BAT Inds.		390	14	22	30	43	50	58
British Telecom		130	11	16	19	5	8	10
British Telecom		140	5	10½	13½	9½	13½	15
Imperial Grp		180	16	23	27	6	8	11
Imperial Grp.		200	9	16	20	17	20	27
LASMO		330	30	33	43	18	23	28
LASMO		360	19	27	33	37	40	47
Lonrho		160	17	22	26	4	7	9
Lonrho		180	7	12	16	13	18	19
P & O		330	42	55	63	5	7	13
P & O		360	25	37	45	18	23	30
Racal		200	28	38	46	12	17	14
Racal		220	18	26	34	12	15	22
R.T.Z.		600	67	75	90	12	17	25
R.T.Z.		650	34	45	55	30	42	52
Vaal Reef		580	12	15½	17½	3¼	5½	8
Vaal Reef		690	7	10½	12½	8	10½	13

Option		Ex'cise Price	CALLS MAR.	JUNE	SEPT.	PUTS MAR.	JUNE	SEPT.
Beecham		360	15	30	40	5	11	18
Beecham		390	3	16	22	16	30	35
Bass		500	40	62	72	3	14	17
Bass		550	8	27	40	25	30	45
BTR		650	60	73	80	5	13	23
BTR		700	19	37	45	15	35	42
De Beers		420c	40	73	88	5	25	34
De Beers		460c	12	47	65	22	44	60
GKN		200	23	28	34	7	9	13
GKN		220	5	15	23	23	17	21
Hanson Tst		200	17	25	30	2	6	14
Hanson Tst		220	5	14	20	7	15	20
Jaguar		330	28	39	47	2	15	17
Jaguar		360	7	20	28	11	22	27
Tesco		220	19	24	29	2	5	10
Tesco		240	4	11	17	8	12	16
FT-SE 100		1250	57	75	100	5	53	63
FT-SE 100		1300	17	50	75	25	54	82

TOTAL CONTRACTS: 6,902

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Tax charge blunts Ultramar

PRE-TAX profits at oig group Ultramar, increased from £156m to £285m in 1984, but after a sharply higher tax charge, net profits emerg at £128m against £122m.

The year has started well and the company is expecting a good first quarter result. A final dividend of 6·5p a share takes the total to 10p (8·5p).

The company is proposing to offer shareholders the option of new shares instead of cash dividends.

The 1984 final is payable June 3.

Questor—P22

GKN jumps

GUEST, Keen and Nettlefolds full year profits to December 31 have advanced from £88m before tax to £120m after taking in £7m of currency benefits and charging lower interest of £38m against £43·7m.

The final dividend of 6·5p net, raises the total for the year to 10·5p against 9p.

Questor—P22

Wolseley-Hughes

A SUBSTANTIAL increase in United States profits has helped specialist builders' merchants Wolseley-Hughes to push interim profits up from £10·6m to £13·3m. The interim dividend is lifted 12 p.c. to 3p a share (2·6750p) payable July 31.

Questor—P22

W. H. Smith bid talk

BID speculation continued yesterday to lift the share price of W. H. Smith & Son (Holdings), the newsagent and high street retailer.

The shares closed 10p higher at 218p which compares with their 1984-85 range of 115p-220p. Arthur Guinness & Sons, rumoured as a potential bidder, would make no comment.

Rowland's stake

LONRHO disclosed yesterday that Yeoman Investments, a company controlled by Lonrho chief executive Tiny Rowland, has purchased 1m Lonrho shares. This brings Mr Rowland's holding in Lonrho to 46m shares, or 17·44 p.c. of the issued voting share capital. Lonrho's shares closed 1p higher at 170p.

Mexican pact

MEXICO should reach agreement shortly with the International Monetary Fund on a letter of intent for the third and fial year of its extended fund facility, Citibank senior vice president William Rhodes said in New York yesterday.

"It's my understanding that a letter of intent will be signed within a week," he said.

WORLD MARKETS

AMSTERDAM (ANP CBS Gen)	209·70	+ 1·10
BRUSSELS (Stock index)	1,130·32	+ 2·83
FRANKFURT (Commerzbank)	1,214·3	− 1·8
HONGKONG (Hang Seng)	1,335·52	−35·69
NEW YORK (Dow Jones)	1,261·70	−10·01
PARIS (CAC General)	208·40	+ 0·40
SYDNEY (All Ord.)	787·4	+ 3·4
TOKYO (Nikkei Dow)	12,419·26	+122·39
ZURICH (Credit Suisse)	341·00	+ 0·60

U.S. RATES

Federal funds 9½ p.c. (8 9/16 p.c.)
Treas. 3-month bills ... 8.58-8.53 (8·50-8·45)
Long bonds 595-21 (596-08)
Yield ... 11·28 p.c. (11·71 p.c.)

U.S. COMMODITIES

GOLD (Comex): Mar. 291·70 (291·20), April 291·90 (292·30), May 294·00 (294·40), June 296·10 (296·50), Aug. 300·70 (301·00), Oct. 305·60 (306·00), Dec. 310·10 (310·40), Feb. 316·50 (316·80), April 322·10 (322·40), June 328·10 (328·50), Aug. 334·30 (334·70), Oct. 340·90 (341·10).
SILVER: Mar. 568·5 (560·5), April 570·7 (562·7), May 574·5 (566·5), Sept. 594·2 July 585·6 (575·3), Sept. 601·7 (591·5), Jan. 595·5), Dec. 612·8 (607·1), Mar. 627·6 (618·1), 616·6 (607·4), Mar. 629·8) July 651·8 May 633·6 (654·3), Dec. (641·8), Sept. 654·5 684·3 (673·8).
COPPER: Mar. 59·10 (58·95), April 59·40 (59·30), May 59·85 (59·75), July 60·45 (60·30), Sept. 60·85 (60·75), Dec. 61·75 (61·50), Jan. 62·00 (61·75), Mar. 62·55 (62·30), May 63·15 (62·85), July 63·75 (63·40), Sept. 64·30 (63·90), Dec. 65·10 (65·65), Jan. 65·40 (64·65).
CHICAGO. Wheat: Mar. 348 (345¼), May 338 (336½), July 337¼ (326¼), Sept. 328 (327), Dec. 338¼ (337), Mar. 343¼ (342), Corn: Mar. 271¼ (268¾), May 273¾ (273), July 275 (274¼), Sept. 267¾ (267½), Dec. 262 (261¾), Mar. 270¼ (270¼), Oats: Mar. 179¼ (178½), May 172½ (172), July 167¾ (167), Sept. 163¼ (162¾), Dec. Soyabeans: Mar. 592¼ (582¾), July 594¼ (574¾), May 584¾ (582¾), Sept. 592 582¾), Aug. 596¼ (595¼), Jan. 605 589¼), Nov. 593¾ (591¼), Mar. 617 (615) 603).
COCOA: Mar. 2210 (2134), May 2174 (2140), July 2115 (2065), Sept. 2090 (2040), Dec. 2025 (2000), Mar. 115 (1993), May 2015 (1995), July 115 (2000).

S—ACTUARIES INDICES

Industrial Group 637·47 (−0·32)
00 " ..... 683·41 (−1·69)
share ..... 624·79 (−1·07)

Sears in agreed £116m bid for Foster Brothers

By MICHAEL BECKET

SEARS HOLDINGS, one of Britain's largest retailing groups, has come to the rescue of Foster Brothers Clothing, the West Midlands-based chain of menswear shops, with an agreed takeover bid worth £115·8 million. This comfortably tops the rejected offer last month of £91·2 million from Ward White Group.

Foster described the Ward White bid as opportunistic and unsolicited and talks with Sears have now produced a counter-offer of 21 Sears shares for every eight Foster shares. At yesterday's closing price of 87½p for Sears, down 1p, this values each Foster share at 250p. There is a cash alternative of 240p per share.

Foster closed 4p lower at 224p.

But Foster yesterday produced disappointing results for its year to end-February with pre-tax profits of £1·7 million compared with £7 million previously. The major cause of the setback was American Natco menswear shops which have been making "significant losses".

That entailed "increased financial commitment" by Foster and so higher borrowings. Foster has now decided to "terminate" its Natco involvement, but this required an extraordinary charge in the latest accounts of £4·3 million.

At the same time the United Kingdom operations, which include the Millets and Dormie shops as well as Foster Menswear, produced pre-tax profits of £5 million compared with £6·8 million in its last year. Some of this was caused by a modernisation plan, some by the miners' strike, and some by sluggish sales at thin margins.

Geoffrey Maitland Smith, chief executive of Sears, said Foster's profit was far too low for a company with £100 million turnover—"if you can't make 10 p.c. return on sales you ought not to be in business." But another reason for the problems was that "a lot of management time has been wasted in the United States."

It will take time to turn round, so Sears' earnings will be diluted for the first year, but after that "we see tremendous prospects." Foster gives Sears the "missing arm of menswear retailing." He plans to continue refurbishing the 377-strong Foster chain, assuming "they are in the right location."

The 158 Your Price discount menswear shops might fit in nicely beside Shoe City outlets, said Mr Maitland Smith. And having Foster and Dormie alongside Olympus, Saxone and Miss Selfridge means new shopping mall developments can be almost all Sears, using one cafeteria and accepting one credit card.

He wants to move the profitable 61 Millets shops up-market and convert the women's wear outlets to Sears' own Miss Selfridge shops. The Adams children's wear would sit well with existing business, Mr Maitland Smith added, as the Lewis emphasis was on a slightly older age range.

In all, Foster has some 740 outlets in the United Kingdom. It is now in talks about selling its 49·8 p.c. stake in Natco but that, too, will produce a "substantial extraordinary charge." At the time of the last accounts Foster guaranteed £7·8 million of Natco borrowings, and the losses will have increased that since.

The Foster directors consider the Sears offer "fair and reasonable" and intend to accept for their own shares, which account for 0·7p.c. of the equity.

Ward White is "considering the position" in the light of the new information, but is unlikely to make a statement before next week.

Aerospace offer for sale in 'early May'

By ROLAND GRIBBEN

A BRITISH Telecom style selling exercise is to be mounted to ensure a wide take-up among the public as well as institutions when the Government sells its remaining 48·43 p.c. holding in British Aerospace, it was announced yesterday.

The combined share sale and rights issue from the company could raise around £500 million when the package is offered on the market in "early May."

Regional stockbrokers are being appointed to co-ordinate the sales effort in the hope of repeating the success achieved with the British Telecom flotation.

Commissions of 1¼ p.c. on share allocations of up to £10,000 are being offered to stockbrokers, licensed dealers to promote the sale and ½ p.c. on larger allotments. Banks, solicitors, chartered accountants and insurance brokers will be able to qualify for part of the commission for applications they handle.

Stockbrokers Hoare Govett for British Aerospace and Cazenove for the Government are handling the marketing arrangements. Kleinwort Benson, the architects of the British Telecom flotation are advising Aerospace and Lazard Brothers the Government.

The commission is not as generous as the 2 p.c. available on the British Telecom issue but the Aerospace flotation is considerably smaller. Sir regional presentations are planned by the marketing teams.

The sale of the Government holding at yesterday's closing price of 368p, down 7p on the day, could yield around £350 million but with the market anticipating a tempting discount the net yield could be around £300 million. The company rights could bring in a further £150 million to £200 million.

Mr Pattie, Information Technology Minister, announced the early May timetable in a Commons answer yesterday. Payment for the Government shares will be in two stages and preferential allocations will be set aside for existing shareholders and employees whose allotment will be up to five million shares.

Harrisons wins Pauls

HARRISONS & CROSFIELD, the plantations, chemicals and trading group, has won the recommendation of the board of Pauls for a new £116·4 million offer less than a week after the Ipswich-based farms feeds and maltster's director rejected improved "final" terms worth £114 million.

The plantations group backed up last week's improved offer by spending £21 million on picking up 18·5 p.c. of Pauls' equity in a raid on the market, and yesterday claimed 26·22 p.c. including acceptances received so far.

Institutions held more than 70 p.c. of Pauls' equity at the outset and, with some having already sold and others believed to be about to accept last week's improved terms from Harrisons, Pauls is understood to have decided it was time to negotiate the best deal it could get.

The new agreed terms are 0·85 Harrisons' Ordinary or 370p in cash or loan notes which, with Harrisons' shares down 7 at 436p yesterday, mirrors the share value attached to the new paper terms. This compares with last week's rejected terms, worth 363p, and February's original £105·5 million offer, worth 356p.

The Pauls board, which speaks for between 10 and 15 p.c. of the equity, are expected to accept the offer.

Earlier, there was embarrassment all-round when details from a Pauls' defence document were accidentally released. This included a reference to Pauls' profits rising to about £14 million in 1985-86 against the £11·5 million estimated for the current year.

U.S. retail sales leap 1.4 pc

By LAUREN CHAMBLISS in Washington

A SURPRISING burst in retail sales in February provided more evidence that the consumer sector of America's economy is thriving. But the 1¼ p.c. jump reported by the Comemrce Department cast confusion over stock and bond markets as investors tried to interpret the implications.

The sales gain was broad based with advances reported in everything from clothing and hardware to housing supplies and under normal circumstances, Wall Street's stock investors would have greeted the news with enthusiasm.

The data, however, heightened concern over the lop-sided nature of the current expansion and both stock and bond prices retreated quickly.

The retail sales report was the latest in a series of Government indicators that have pointed to exceptionally strong growth in the service sectors of the economy while manufacturing and industrial production have remained relatively flat.

The contradictory signals have thoroughly confused market participants and raised doubts about everything from Federal Reserve policy to the future direction of United States interest rates.

In bond markets, prices fell sharply as the retail sales strength rekindled fears that the renewed vigour in the economy will push interest rates higher and force the Federal Reserve to clamp down on the money supply. Most government issues were off ½ to a full $1 in active trading.

On Wall Street, stocks prices fell in sympathy with the bond slide after a half-hearted attempt to push the market forward failed to generate support.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed 10·05 lower at 1,261·70.

Adding to the market gloom was a prediction by economist Allen Sinai of Shearson Lehman Brothers who said that United States interest rates will move higher over the next few months.

Mr Sinai said he expects the prime rate, now at 10¾ p.c., will be bumped to 11 p.c. within the next few weeks in line with a general rise in short-term interest rates.

The stock market was also beset by a fall in computer stocks. The decline began on Tuesday when Wang Labs announced it expects to have a 30 to 40 p.c. drop in fiscal third-quarter earnings.

Wang's earnings projection followed similar dismal profits forecasts from Digital Equipment and Data General.

● Sterling in New York closed at $1·0875, against $1·0890.

THE GOVERNMENT is undoubtedly right to abolish the British National Oil Corporation and with it the apparatus of an official price for North Sea oil. Even fixing a market related price and adjusting it each quarter has engendered the dangerous illusion that the Government could in some way control oil values. But markets generally are more powerful than governments.

For some time BNOC has looked both improvident, because it has been subsidising North Sea producers, and silly because the whole exercise was anyway futile. Other major suppliers of oil to world markets apart from the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries find they can get along without an official price — among them the United States, Soviet Union, Norway and Egypt.

Apart from being ineffective, BNOC's very presence attracted Opec attention. No recent Opec meeting has been complete unless it has engaged in denunciation of the British Government's oil policy. It would be a blessing to be spared that.

The Government has also been brave. Sentiment is fickle in the crude oil market and in the currency markets where oil trends are a major factor. Neither the present level of oil prices nor sterling itself could be said to be robust. Oil prices did shiver on the news and may show greater reaction today.

But what took some nerve was announcing the BNOC decision a few days before the Budget. A tumble by the pound would be disconcerting to the Chancellor of the Exchequer as he puts his final touches to next Tuesday's statement.

On the other hand, the decision to act now may actually be a pointer to Budget strategy.

If Mr Lawson is going to limit public sector borrowing by harsh measures, he could hardly allow BNOC's losses to run on. They have been mounting at an annualised rate of over £120 million. Think what all the opera houses, museums and theatres in Britain could do with that amount of money.

CITY COMMENT

Brave to chop BNOC just before Budget

Schroders still in rut

SCHRODERS, one of the most distinguished names in merchant banking, found itself with a difficult act to follow yesterday when it announced its 1984 results just a day after the dashingly self-confident figures from Kleinwort Benson, the biggest of them all.

Schroders' profits are still in something of a rut in spite of last year's major management changes and moves to recruit City high-flyers. The banking group is now run by two German-born executives, George Mallinckrodt, who is executive chairman of the holding company, and Win Bischoff, group chief executive.

The Schroders statement talks of "a year which has involved significant restructuring and integration of the group's principal activities," but so far the benefits have not worked through to the bottom line. Total disclosed profits after tax and transfers to inner reserves rose by just 5 p.c. to £15·1 million, the same sort of level seen for the past four years.

This compares with Kleinwort's announcement of a 40 p.c. rise to £50·5 million in net profits during 1984 in spite of a much-reduced contribution from Sharps Pixley, the gold bullion side. In merchant banking, Kleinwort took a quantum leap forward with a rise of 65 p.c. to £41·6 million in pre-tax profits.

After much agonising, Schroders says it will apply to become a primary dealer in the new gilt-edged maret being developed by the Bank of England, but does not expect to commit more than £15 million in capital.

Mr Mallinckrodt, who is related by marriage to the Schroder family, which still owns roughly half the banking group's shares, says there is no need to raise additional capital from shareholders to finance expansion plans in the City. But the time could come when extra capital will be useful.

Tokyo market rides high

THE Tokyo stock market snapped out of its recent mood of uncertainty yesterday and the Nikkei' Dow Jones index scored its biggest one-day gain so far this year, rising 122·39, or a shade under 1 p.c., to 12,419·26, just 90 points below the recent peak. Turnover jumped to 520 million shares, and gains were widely spread across all sectors of the market. Demand spread from the lower-priced stocks to industrials, pharmaceuticals and financials.

The surge in activity took analysts by surprise after they had predicted a relatively quiet period up to the end of the financial year on March 31. Investors also shrugged off some equivocal prifit forecasts for Japanese corporate earnings from the Nikko Research Centre, which predicted record total earnings for the financial year just ending, up 20 p.c. on 1983-84, and 13 p.c. above the previous record achieved before the recession in 1980-81. But the latest forecast is about 7 p.c. below the previous forecast for the current year, issued in December.

Since then, the survey claims that the sharp rise in the value of the United States dollar has pushed up the cost of oil and other raw materials priced in dollars, and eaten into immediate profits. But asop ƨuɯoo sɹ ʞɹɐdnɟ ɐsɐnɐdɐɟ to getting it both ways at the moment.

Although the yen has weakened by about 3½ p.c. against the dollar this year, giving Japanese exporters enough edge to sustain their relentless and successful penetration of the American market, the yen's fall is only half the decline in the mark and sterling, and the implications for importing inflation are also proportionately less.

The resumption of dividend payments by Japan Air Lines this year after two blank years also helped to strengthen sentiment and could not have come at a better time, with the Japanese government about to launch a privatisation programme very similar to the United Kingdom. The Government owns just over 55 p.c. of JAL.

Appropriately enough, the Japanese Stock Exchange chose yesterday to announce plans to enlarge the number of seats from the present total of 83, a move which is expected to bring foreign dealers into the Stock Exchange for the first time. They have been permitted since 1982 but Merrill Lynch was comprehensively outbid by a Japanese firm for the only seat to have come up for sale since then.

Rodney Leach quits in P&O shake-up

Dr RODNEY LEACH, nuclear physicist and former partner in the McKinsey management consultancy businesses, quit Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation last night in a wide-ranging shake-up which virtually completes the merger of the shipping group with Sterling Guarantee Trust.

Dr Leach, 54, joined the P&O board in 1978 and has been in charge of the cruising, ferries and insurance businesses which will in future come under three separate chairmen. He master-minded development and introduction into service of the $150 million (£138 million) Royal Princess cruise liner.

The changes announced by Sir Jeffrey Sterling, chairman of P&O, put Christopher Stewart-Smith in charge of cruising. He has been a Sterling Guarantee director and is a marketing specialist.

Other appointments include Bruce MacPhail, P&O managing director, to be chairman of Town & City Properties. There is a general mixing of Sterling Guarantee and P&O leaders throughout the top jobs.

Dunlop reveals loss of £88m

DUNLOP Holdings made an £88 million loss last year, chairman Sir Michael Edwardes reveals in the document sent to shareholders yesterday which recommends the £101 million takeover bid for the company from BTR. The loss compares with a £166 million loss in 1983.

The 1984 result was achieved on turnover of £1·5 billion, which produced an operating profit of £71 million. The company's balance sheet shows borrowings at £513 million which produced financing charges of £51 million.

Then Dunlop had to pay £25 million tax on its overseas earnings, mostly in America. There was also a series of extraordinary items which cost the company £72 million. Biggest item was the cost of rationalisation, started by the previous board and accelerated by Sir Michael.

Another extraordinary item was £23 million written off the value of the United States tyre subsidiary to bring its value into line with what Dunlop reckons is realisable in the currently planned management buyout. There was also a "reduction in carrying value of certain overseas securities," thought to be Zimbabwe bonds.

United Biscuits seeks £98m rights

By TOM KYTE

UNITED Biscuits' much mooted rights issue, raising more than £98 million, emerged yesterday alongside full year profits to December 29 higher by 5 p.c. at £87·2 million. The shares closed 4p lower at 118p.

The company is issuing up to 64·2 million new Ordinary shares at 158p each on the basis of one-for-five. The issue has been underwritten by Morgan Grenfell & Co., and their brokers are Rowe & Pitman and Wood Mackenzie.

This rights issue comes almost exactly five years to the day after the group's last fund-raising exercise, but it still represents the third rights issue in ten years, uncommon for a food manufacturer.

The group has been spending heavily on capital investment over the past five years, particularly in the United States, where through its Keebler subsidiary the company has fought hard to secure a large share of the cookie and cracker market.

Chairman Sir Hector Laing said the rights issue funds would be used primarily to reduce borrowings which stood at £249 million net at the end of the year, equal to 83 p.c. of shareholders' funds, but would also enable United Biscuits to maintain a high level of capital investment.

Capital Investment last year amounted to £114 million with £48 million of that going into Keebler. In the current year the group is budgeting for total expenditure of around £105 million, with Keebler taking £30-£35 million.

Keebler now has a 50 p.c. stake in the United States cookie and cracker market, but more significantly it has built up a 17 p.c. share of the fast-expanding market for soft chewy cookies where an intense price war is raging between the major manufacturers.

The impact of this war is evident in last year's figures. United Kingdom's profits expanded from £62·4 million to £77·7 million, with improvements in almost every division, but the North American contribution slipped from £45·5 million to £40 million as Keebler's profits fell £4·8 million to £32·5 million, reflecting a slump in profit margins from 7·4 to 4·6 p.c.

The final dividend, payable July 1, is to be raised from 4·3p net to 4·8p for a total of 7·5 against 7p.

Amex to lease London offices

AMERICAN Express International Banking Corporation, the financial services arm of American Express, is to lease 275,000 sq. ft of offices in the 1·25 million sq. ft, £500 million Liverpool Street development in London.

The project is being carried out by Godfrey Bradman's Rosehaugh group and Stanhope Securities, a company controlled by Stuart Lipton, in partnership with British Rail Property Board.

No rent has been revealed for the letting, which is in the second phase of the huge development, but at current rents for the area of £28·50 a sq. ft the rent to be paid by American Express would amount to £7·8 million a year.

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COMPANIES

GKN rides the recovery trail

GUEST Keen and Nettlefolds' act is now visibly together. A massive reorganisation programme is well on the way to completion and GKN is continuing its policy of introducing new technology into a virtually static market.

Profits for the year to December 31 bear this out with a pre-tax rise from £88·1 million to £120 million, bang in line with expectations.

Currency changes played a part in the improvement, chipping in around £7 million to the pre-tax level but the company has made progress in most of its key areas.

United Kingdom profits advanced from £27 million to £32 million thanks mainly to increased exports which offset the effects of lower passenger and commercial motor production.

Increased export and aftermarket sales also helped the European operations which pushed their contribution up from £55 million to £64 million while the United States showed perhaps the most encouraging performance as the passenger car industry there enjoyed strong demand. Profits from America rose from £31 million to £44 million.

The Brymbo Steel Works in the United Kingdom still has a sizeable part of its rationalisation programme to be completed but efficiencies are already coming through. The only significant problem area in the group last year was Guest, Keen Williams of India which continued to feel the impact of local recession. Even there some improvement was evident in the second six months.

Borrowings have been hoisted to an uncomfortable level partly as a result of currency changes which added around £39 million bringing total debt to £312 million. Gearing is now around 54 p.c. of shareholders funds but signs are that GKN has finally halted its cash outflow and gearing should come down in the current year.

Profits this year should emerge at around £145 million before tax which drops the earnings multiple to a prospective six times at 222p. GKN is now rated in the stock market principally as a motor supplier and at its present level it is selling 2-3 points below most of the other majors. The shares are attractive for a company now firmly established on the recovery trail.

Guest Keen chairman Sir Trevor Holdsworth—pre-tax profits rise from £88·1 million to £120 million.

Time for upturn in Ultramar

LIKE water on the proverbial stone the persistent downward revisions of analysts's expectations for Ultramar during 1984 have eroded the share price.

Last year should have been the one during which all Ultramar's big capital spending programmes of the previous five years started to pay off—and a surge in earnings had been expected.

But one by one, the snags occurred. The Indonesian liquid natural gas expansion came on stream, after a damaging fire, in a market heavy with overcapacity. The new "cracker" at the Quebec refinery hit teething troubles and a weak market.

The six oil-bulk-ore ships on order from a Spanish yard never arrived and the contract was cancelled. And plans to offset advance corporation tax against petroleum revenue tax payments were sunk by the last Budget.

Given all the problems, it is not surprising that the share price has underperformed the market by over 50 p.c. in the past year.

But equally, again given all the problems, didn't the company do well? Net profits did increase from £122 million to £128 million, despite the £120 million increase in the tax charge. Earnings per share were maintained and the dividend is increased.

Cashflow from operations went up from £124 million to £215 million and cashflow projected for the current year will be sufficient to fund, with some additional borrowing, capital spending likely to hit £400 million.

After last year's downgrading of estimates, cautious outside profit projections for 1985 are for little change, which puts the shares at 206p on a prospective price/earnings ratio of 4·5 times. The historic yield is 7 p.c.

But from that low base, this year's revisions are likely to be upwards. The Quebec cracker is now running sweetly and there are signs that the products market has passed bottom. Talks are under way to sell extra cargoes of LNG from the Indonesia facility and the first of the "OBO" ships has been delivered on a renegotiated contract and is engaged in profitable work.

If first-quarter results confirm that things are looking up, especially in refining and marketing, the shares will start to regain their lost ground.

Wolseley gets a 'buy' rating

WOLSELEY-HUGHES could have found a string of excuses to trot out for a poor half-time performance, but instead has produced a 25 p.c. increase in pre-tax profits.

The period to January 31, 1985, saw the introduction of VAT on home improvements and renovations, the collapse of the property improvement grants system and soaring interest rates — all bad news for a company specialising in the merchanting and distribution of heating and plumbing materials.

Despite all that, pre-tax profits increased from £10·6 millionto £13·3 million.

The answer to the conundrum is that al lthe progress was made not in the United Kingdom, where profits were only slightly more than maintained, but in the United States.

Wolseley has been building up rapidly in distribution in the United States and from the original 56 branch network acquired in 1982 is now operating through 90 outlets.

Trading profits from the United States business jumped 92 p.c. in the half year to £5·94 million, about £680,000 of the increase resulting from currency changes.

Growth in America is still coming fast and furious. New branches cost anything from $1 to $2 million to acquire or set up, and $7 million was spent on acquisitions in the first half-year alone.

The potential is at least 500 branches, and there are still plenty of single units operated as "momma and poppa" family-owned businesses. Wolseley does, however, need to balance financial considerations, management strength and availability of new outlets to control its growth there.

On the short-term horizon, profits in the current year should approach £30 million (£26 million) to leave the shares at 321p on a prospective price-earnings ratio of less than eight times. For a proven growth company, that is cheap and reflects only the fall from fashion of building-related shares. Buy.

Petrolex

CLYDE Petroleum, which is making a £9·1m takeover offer for fellow USM-quoted oil group Petrolex, has received acceptances totalling just 0·056 p.c.

Clyde's 58p-a-share offer has been described as "totally unrealistic and unacceptable" by the Petrolex board. Clyde has extended its offer until 3·30 p.m. on March 27.

Stakis £5m for Dee off-licences

THE shake-out of wine shops continued yesterday when Stakis paid £5·1 million cash to Dee Corporation for 51 of the off-licences it acquired with the takeover of Lennons Stores in September last year.

Dee sold 15 off-licences for £1·15 million to International Distillers and Vintners in November and invited tenders for another 51, mostly in the north-west, which brought the best offer from Stakis.

It expects to retain other off-licences, which are linked to supermarkets.

Stakis has 103 off-licences in Scotland under the Haddow name. It has been negotiating to sell its two wine and spirit wholesalers to Scottish & Newcastle Breweries, which has a 6½ p.c. stake in Stakis, while expanding in retailing.

Bejam Group

BEJAM GROUP is well set for another record year. Opening half pre-tax profits are on from £7·8m to £9·76m and trading since Christmas has left the board confident that the second half outturn will also be up on the corresponding period. This implies an advance from £15·7m to more than £17·7m for the full 12 months.

In the opening period sales grew in volume in existing stores and new branches also contributed well so that turnover was £18·6m higher at £172·5m. The group also continued to keep its costs tightly controlled so that net margins were up from 5·07 p.c. to 5·66 p.c.

Seven new stores were added to the group, two of which replaced smaller ones in the same locality, and at the start of this year it was trading in 212 freezer centres.

There is a 1·75p interim on April 25, against equal to 1·4p from earnings of 4·58p (5·37p).

Benson's Crisps

BENSON CRISPS, the USM quoted foodstuffs group, has announced a £1·8m re-financing package to enable it to "keep on course for continued growth."

The company, which turned in a first half pre-tax deficit of £94,800, says that trading losses for the year ended November will total some £840,000, despite a doubling of turnover to more than £10m.

In the market the shares crumbled 7p to 41p.

The board has identified three main problem areas where non-recurring costs in excess of £500,000 have contributed to the losses. These are at the company's new factory at Newport, south Wales, where there have been production and managerial problems, heavier than expected rationalisation at the newly-acquired XL Crisps; and major increases in raw materials for potatoes and oil.

The board has made the necessary changes at both Newport and XL Crisps and overall management accounts for the first three months of the current year show a profit.

James Fisher

SHIPPING GROUP James Fisher, where first half pre-tax profits were up from £1·6m to £2·08m, was affected by the two national dock strikes and the knock-on effect of the miners' dispute in the second so that the full year out-turn is £2·85m, against £2·1m.

The board is anticipating a further improvement in profits this time and is confident on the long-term future in view of the continuing recovery of the world economy and the company's own policy of development and diversification.

Meantime from earnings of 11·08p (7·95p) there is a 1·7p final on May 14, making 3·2p (3p).

Howard-Spink

ADVERTISING agency Lowe Howard-Spink Campbell-Ewald (Holdings) has comfortably topped both the profit and dividend forecasts made when it came to the market in June.

There are pre-tax profits of £2·36m for 1984 against indicated £2·25m and last time's £1,009,000 while the dividend is 2·6p, payable May 15, compared with the foreshadowed 2·4p.

Turnover was 12 p.c. up at £52·1m and earnings came out at 12·2p (4·4p).

Promotions House

HELPED by a £440,000 (nil) profit on the sale of an investment, but after charging goodwill of £110,000 (£46,000), Promotions House, the sales promotions group quoted on the USM, has weighed in with pre-tax profits of £987,000 for the 12 months ended December. Turnover was £5·34m.

Figures for the preceding period are for the five months ended December 1983, and show pre-tax profits of £264,000 on turnover of £4·29m.

As indicated, there is a 0·7p dividend for 1984 from earnings of 1·8p (1·1p).

Meanwhile, Bonusbond Holdings, which is recommending the £1·5m takeover offer from Promotions House, reveals full year pre-tax profits of £212,000 (£180,000) on turnover of £8·04m (£5·45m). Fully diluted earnings were 2·11p (4·67p), as a result of a higher tax charge, and there is, as usual, no dividend.

The offer document will be sent to shareholders on March 18.

Invergordon

A £5m increase in sales to £25·9m has lifted Invergordon Distillers (Holdings) opening half operating profits by £421,000 to £4·51m. Interest charges have fallen £84,000 to £579,000 and the combination means that the full year pre-tax out-turn is up from £5·65m to £4·15m.

Factors outside the control of this producer of Scots Grey made forecasting difficult but it anticipates 1985 results will be slightly better.

Meantime, a 2·75p final on May 19 makes 4·25p (4p) from earnings of 14·7p (13·11p).

Refuge Group

THE special interim from Refuge Group, forecast when this holding company was formed in November under a scheme of arrangement involving Refuge Assurance, is 7·75p.

Under the scheme, shareholders in Refuge Assurance got two shares in the holding company for every one held and allowing for this, and for the August interim already paid, gives them a total of 11·75p—an effective 17·5 p.c. increase.

Meantime, Refuge Assurance reports 1984 ordinary branch premium income of £28·8m (£27m) and £62m (£59·2m) for the industrial branch. Net profits rose from £5·1m to £5·9m.

It says its results were less affected by the withdrawal of life assurance premium relief than might have been expected.

Victor Products

THE miners' strike has had severe repercussions at Victor Products with this industrial and mining equipment maker swinging from a pre-tax profit of £308,000 to a £549,000 loss in the opening half.

The board says the return to work has come too late to prevent a further loss in the second, although it is expected to be smaller and the final quarter is likely to achieve break-even. However, despite losses of 9·04p (earnings 4·16p) the interim dividend is being held at 1·6p on April 8.

The board says that the order book has already improved and the company anticipates a return to acceptable levels of business early in 1985-86.

They point out, however, that National Coal Board business for the group's products is not likely to return to its former level and, consequently, the group is trying to find new markets, particularly overseas.

Telemetrix

TELEMETRIX, the electronics group which had to abandon its profits forecast last year when it was hit by the financial collapse of a contractor building new capacity for it, is now making rapid financial progress.

In the opening half it more than doubled pre-tax profits to £1·85m (£919,000) on sales of £8·18m (£4·15m). Chairman Roy Cole says that while the results are highly satisfactory the company's sales achievements continue to be constrained by production capacity.

The building which was delayed last year is now fully operational and the additional 53,000 sq. ft manufacturing facility planned for 1985 was completed on schedule.

The interim is 0·6p (0·5p) on April 23 from earnings of 6p (3·1p).

IN BRIEF

J. Hewitt and Son (Fenton): Full year pre-tax profit £540,800 (£1·05m) after £28,000 (£360,000) for first half. Turnover £6·3m (£7·45m). Eps 8p (equal to 18·5p). Final dividend 2p, making 2·4p (equal same), payable May 8. Sales since year-end have continued at improved levels and boards says it seems reasonable to expect 1985 results will be an improvement on 1984.

Lawtex: First half pre-tax profit £254,000 (£104,000) after interest charge of £174,000 (£152,000). Turnover £10m (£8·47m). Eps 11p (4·9p). Interim dividend 1·5p (0·75p) payable April 4. Board intends final of the same amount. Trading volume continues to run significantly above last year's level.

Australian Agricultural: Full year pre-tax profit A$10·5m (A$8·978m) including investment and other income A$2·45m (A$957,000). Turnover A$22·976m (A$23·2m). Eps 41·6c (34·9c). Extraordinary credit A$1·78m (A$421,000). Nav. 532c (298c). Dividend again 25c, payable July 25.

Fletcher Challenge: First half pre-tax earnings NZ$125·6m (NZ$71·2m). Turnover NZ$2,194m (NZ$1,669m). Eps 10·5c (8·5c). Interim 10·5c (8·5c) already declared.

Commercial Bank of Near East: Full year pre-tax profit £504,000 (£528,000). Eps 58·5p (56·5p). Dividend again 50p.

U.S. Debenture Corporation: Pre-tax profit for 11 months £4·81m (£7·5m for previous year) after interest charge of £1·597m (£895,000). Eps 4·61p (6·79p). Nav at end December 245·2p (222·8p at end-January, 1984). Final dividend 3·73p, making 5·98p (6·52p).

Breville Europe: First half pre-tax profit £8,000 (£11,000). Turnover £3·51m (£2·59m). Eps 0·05p (0·07p). Again no interim. Trading position steady but no significant improvement in margins expected in second half. Financial position strong with cash balances near £3m.

BIDS AND DEALS

Banro

C H INDUSTRIALS has received acceptances representing 5·94 p.c. in respect of its £4·37m bid for Banro Industries. This, together with the 1·87 p.c. held by C H Industrials before the offer, represents 7·81 p.c. of the Banro Ordinary.

The offer and the cash alternative have been extended until 3 p.m. on March 26.

Immediate Systems

IMMEDIATE Business Systems, the loss-making computer billing concern quoted on the USM, is recommending a £5·4m takeover offer from Wheelabrator International, a wholly owned subsidiary of the California-based Signal Companies.

Terms are 40 p.c. cash for every Ordinary and irrevocable undertakings have been given to accept in respect of 8·46 p.c. of the equity.

Wheelabrator has also agreed, subject to the offer going unconditional, to acquire the 20 p.c. interest in IBS's American subsidiary not already owned by it.

CHAIRMEN

Freshbake Foods Group — John Taylor: Second half results continue to be influenced by high raw material costs, additional development and other expenses incurred in meeting strong demand and adoption of merger accounting principles in relation to acquisition of Baughan's Foods.

Blundell-Permoglaze Holdings —Robert White: Fiercely competitive trading conditions in our principal market in the United Kingdom have continued. Price increases, effective from April 1 will offset rising raw material costs. Year-end being changed to end-December and current period will cover 14 months. Anticipate maintaining last time's total provided no further deterioration in trading conditions.

KLP Group—John Laurence: Current year has started well. June interim figures will, however, take full account of start-up costs of some £120,000 of the three new ventures.

MONEY & EXCHANGES

HOPES of an early cut in bank base rates receded further yesterday as the pound lost ground to a strong dollar, falling from $1·0912 to $1·0865.

The sterling index also eased from 71·8 to 71·6 although the pound more than held its own against the mark.

The dollar was boosted by strong retail sales figures in America but dealers say the frenzied support for the dollar seen last month has died away, with currencies trading in narrower bands.

The pound was hit initially by the Government decision to abolish the British National Oil Corporation but settled down when the implications for the economy were seen to be neutral.

In London money markets, the cost of wholesale funds climbed back up to the 14 p.c. level consistent with unchanged base rates.

The Bank of England had another difficult day trying to relieve an £800 million cash shortage in the banking system through bill operations, but eventually succeeded in providing £748 million worth of relief.

THE POUND ABROAD

15-3-85		Prev. close
Austria	25.52–.62	25.46–.67
Belgium*	73.05–.30	73.02–.26
Canada	1.5067–.5109	1.5044–.5088
Denmark	13.1024–.0824	12.9873–13.0222
France	11.1152–.1523	11.0995–.1526
Germany W	3.6890–.6420	3.6515–.6456
Holland	4.1108–.1218	4.1067–.1252
Ireland	1.1640–.1700	1.1645–.1706
Italy	2278.19–2285.89	2274.16–2283.79
Japan	282.23–282.78	282.21–.95
Norway	10.4154–.4624	10.4160–.3678
Portugal	200.85–203.00	199.64–202.18
Spain	201.31–.79	200.55–201.12
Sweden	10.3448–.3917	10.3401–.3917
Switzerland	3.0882–.0958	3.0814–.0925
Utd. States	1.0855–.0870	1.0902–.0922

* Convertible rate.

Effective Sterling Exchange Rate Index NOON 71·7 (71·4 CLOSE 71·6 (71·8)
(Base 1975 = 100)

OTHER MARKET RATES

Argentina	Peso 317.30–317.88
Australia	A$1.5585–1.5625
Brazil	Cruzeiro 1405.64–4451.40
Cyprus	C£ 0.7410–0.7487
Finland	Markka 7.6234–7.6357
Greece	Drachma 152.05–155.10
Hong Kong	HK$ 8.4760–8.4860
India	Rupee 14.1043
Iran*	Dinar 0.3300–0.3378
Kuwait	Dinar 0.3285–0.3335
Malaysia	Ringgit 2.8020–2.8120
Saudi Arabia	Ryal 3.8940–3.9340
Singapore	$ 2.45½–2.46½
South Africa	Rand 2.1670–2.1770
United Arab Emirates	Dirham 3.9685–4.0005

* Subject to limit

DOLLAR RATES

	15-3-85	Prev. close
France	10.2300	10.2250
Germany	3.3510	3.3470
Switzerland	2.8450	2.8400
Japan	260.05	260.15
Trade weighted ave.	154.20	153.70

EUROCURRENCIES

DOLLARS:	
7 days 8⅝–8 11/16	1 month 8 11/16–8 15/16
3 months 9 9/16–9 7/16	6 months 9 15/16–10 1/16
MARKS:	
7 days 6–6⅛	1 month 6 1/16–6 3/16
3 months 6¼–6⅜	6 months 6½–6⅝
SWISS FRANCS:	
7 days 2⅜–2⅝	1 month 5⅝–5¾
3 months 5 11/16–5 13/16	6 months 5 11/16–5 13/16

FORWARD RATES

The forward rates for currencies for one month and three months are as follows:

Austria	17½–18½ Gr pm	43½–41 Grn. p.a
Belgium	26–21 c.pm	56–48 c.pm
Canada	0.47–0.59 c.pm	0.90–0.77 c.pm
Denmark	2½–1½ Ore pm	6½–5½ Ore pm
France	3½–5 c.pm	7½–6½ c.pm
Germany W	2⅜–2⅜ Pfg pm	6¾–6½ Pfg pm
Holland	2½–2¼ c.pm	6⅞–6 c.pm
Italy	2 Lrpm–1 Lr.dis	5–9 Lire dis
Japan	2–1½ Yen pm	5½–4½ Yen pm
Norway	1⅜–⅞ Ore pm	2⅞–1½ Ore pm
Portugal	120–455 c.dis	330–1320 c.dis
Spain	36 c.pm–10 c.dis	35–18 c.dis
Sweden	1¼–⅞ Ore.pm	¼–½ Ore pm
Switzerland	2⅜–2⅛ c.pm	6½–5½c.pm
Utd. States	0.52–0.49 c.pm	1.18–1.15 c.pm

GOLD PRICE

1st Fix $290.10	2nd Fix $290.26
Close $293-50	($288-00)
Sterling Equiv. £270-18	(£263-92)

KRUGERRANDS*

£273-00–£322-00	(£268-00–£317-40)

PLATINUM NOBLES

£236-50–£232-70	(£235-45–£238-50)

NEW SOVEREIGNS*

£81-00–£78-25	(£59-80–£76-82)

* Banks selling rate includes VAT and charges. Buying rate excludes VAT. Prices are for single coins.

MONEY MARKET RATES (per cent.)

CLEARING BANKS Base Rate 14pc (Jan.28)
FINANCE HOUSES Base Rate 12½pc (Mar.1)

DISCOUNT MKT.:	
Day-to-Day 13–14¼	
INTERBANK:	Overnight 15¼–15½
7 days 14¾–15	1 month 14¾–14½
3 months 13⅞–14	6 months 13–13⅛
LOCAL AUTHORITY DEPOSITS:	
Two days 14⅜	Seven days 14⅝
One month 13¾	Three months 13¾
BANK BILLS:	1 month 13 13/32–13 11/16
3 months 13⅜–13½	6 months 12–12¼
TREAS. BILLS:	1 month 13⅞–13¾
2 months 13½–13⅜	3 months 13⅜–13½
STERLING C.Ds.:	1 month 14¼–14⅜
3 months 13⅞–13¾	1 year 12 7/16–12 5/16
DOLLAR C.Ds.:	1 month 8.60–8.70
3 months 8.95–9.05	1 year 10.40–10.50

PRELIMINARY RESULTS - 1984

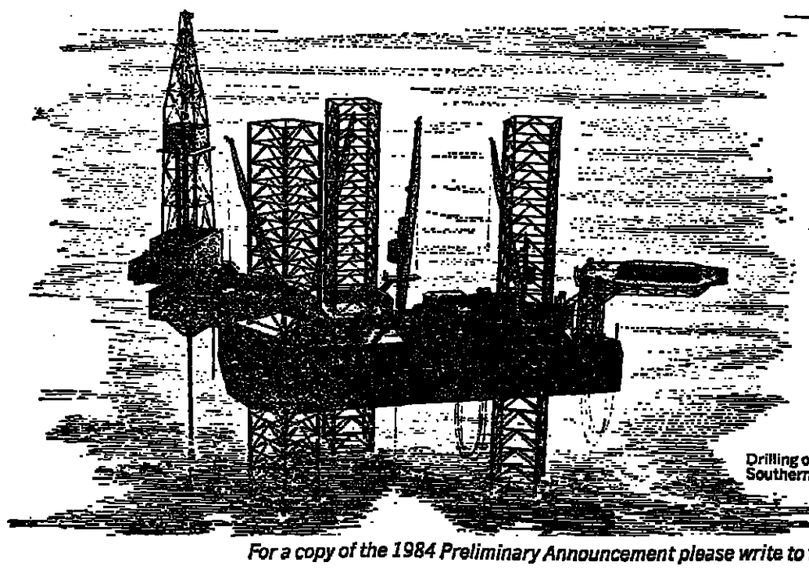
Ultramar

CONTINUED GROWTH

- Turnover exceeds £3 billion for the first time.
- Net profit increased to £127.6 million.
- Cash flow at an all time high of £215.4 million.
- Total net dividend up from 8½p to 10p per share.
- Record oil and gas production of 83,000 barrels per day of oil equivalent compared to 41,000 barrels per day in 1983.
- Increase in attributable reserves to 615 million barrels of oil equivalent from 400 million barrels in 1983.
- Full potential of major capital projects not yet realised.
- Acquisition of 50 per cent of ENSTAR boosts reserves and production.
- 1985 has started well.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL RESULTS	Year 1984 £ million	Year 1983 £ million
Turnover (Sales revenue)	3,260.4	2,057.1
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	284.9	156.0
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	127.6	122.1
Cash flow from operations	215.4	124.5
Capital expenditures (including acquisitions of new subsidiary and associated companies)	287.7	306.2

OPERATING RESULTS	Year 1984	Year 1983
Sales of oil (barrels per day)	291,200	241,100
Oil refined (barrels per day)	104,000	88,400
Oil produced (barrels per day)	26,400	10,600
Gas produced (thousands of cubic feet per day)	340,000	183,800
Gross wells drilled	315	157
Oil and gas wells completed (in which the Group has varying interests)	201	105



Drilling on Block 49/5 in the Southern North Sea Basin

Ultramar

Morgan House, 1 Angel Court
London EC2R 7AU

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The Ashdown Investment Trust
Public Limited Company

Managed by J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited

The Annual General Meeting was held at 120 Cheapside, London EC2 on Wednesday, 13 March, 1985.

The following is a summary of the Report by the Directors for the year ended 30 November, 1984.

	1984	1983
Total Revenue	£1,686,818	£1,393,247
Revenue after taxation and expenses	£ 946,695	£ 751,702
Earnings per Ordinary Share	8.63p	6.83p
Ordinary dividends for the year net per share	8.20p	7.00p
Net asset value per 25p Ordinary Share	459.1p	426.0p

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from the Secretaries, J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited, 120 Cheapside, London EC2V 6DS.

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UNIT TRUST PRICES

AUTHORISED TRUSTS

ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
1-3 St Paul's Churchyard, London EC4
01-236 1833

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
149·9	97·5	Amer. Grth	[illegible]	[illegible]
132·9	97·3	General	[illegible]	[illegible]
70·0	58·6	High Inc. Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
90·5	118·9	Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]
67·2	47·0	U.K. Eqty. Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
126·6	112·5	Gilt & Fix. Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
175·0	147·4	Widwide Bd	[illegible]	[illegible]

AITKEN HUME FUNDS (MNGMT) LTD.
20 City Road, London EC1Y 2AY
01-628 6626

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
152·5	117·7	Secure Income Fund	143·2	152·2
80·7	58·5	Japanese Tech Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
171·4	110·3	American Tech Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
32·4	25·3	Small Co's Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
126·0	123·2	Pacific Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
692·5	590·1	Exempt Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
122·4	138·4	Special Sits. Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
52·0	35·3	Gilt & Fix Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
69·6	49·5	Am. Master Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
100·0	100·0	Total Inc. Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

ALLIED UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED
Allied Hambro House, Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex
0277 211459 & 229123

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
174·1	153·0	Fixed Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]
111·6	101·1	Growth & Inc'e Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
106·7	100·9	Capital Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]
296·1	278·0	Balanced Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]
446·3	415·5	Accumulator Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
34·7	30·0	American Inc. Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
135·6	108·5	High Income Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
105·0	97·3	Equity Income Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
125·7	117·1	High Yield Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
29·8	20·3	Government Sec's Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
78·1	67·4	International Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
77·3	69·6	Japan Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
141·9	129·6	Pacific Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
75·0	62·0	Am's spec. sits Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
218·6	176·5	Secs. of America Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
174·1	158·4	Asset Value Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
32·7	31·2	Gilt Growth Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
101·6	95·8	Smaller Cos's Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
135·2	120·0	Spec. Smaller Co's Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
60·1	54·1	Recovery Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
107·9	85·3	Metal Mng. & Gen. Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
164·2	119·9	Overseas Earnings Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
104·6	74·8	Technology Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]

ANDERSON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.

131·5	106·8	Anderson Grth Unit T	[illegible]	[illegible]
38·2	34·1	Anderson Inc. Unit T	[illegible]	[illegible]

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES LIMITED
131 Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY. 01-628 8876
Dealing Dept. 01-628 0901 2/3/4

65·6	41·8	Capital Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]
100·1	84·0	Commodity	[illegible]	[illegible]
176·8	139·0	Commodity Accum.	[illegible]	[illegible]
65·4	46·9	Com 10% Withdrawal	[illegible]	[illegible]
119·6	78·1	Extra & International	[illegible]	[illegible]
68·5	45·9	Earth & Inf'n Wdwd	[illegible]	[illegible]
47·8	34·6	Finance & Property	[illegible]	[illegible]
73·5	54·7	Foreign Grth	[illegible]	[illegible]
49·2	35·7	Gilt & Fixed	[illegible]	[illegible]
72·6	63·4	Gilt & Fixed Accum.	[illegible]	[illegible]
60·1	47·8	High Income	[illegible]	[illegible]
131·8	100·7	High Income Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
76·6	54·6	High Inc. 3½ Withd.	[illegible]	[illegible]
82·4	51·2	High Yield	[illegible]	[illegible]
151·2	122·1	High Yield Accum.	[illegible]	[illegible]
93·9	60·9	North American	[illegible]	[illegible]
26·7	24·5	Preference	[illegible]	[illegible]
76·8	58·5	Preference Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
97·5	72·8	Smaller Companies	[illegible]	[illegible]
102·8	76·2	Smaller Co's Accum.	[illegible]	[illegible]
11·8	8·8	World Penny share	[illegible]	[illegible]
		Portfolio Trust		
82·1	67·1	U.K.	[illegible]	[illegible]
65·4	54·5	Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]
60·2	50·0	U.S.	[illegible]	[illegible]
60·3	47·7	Europe	[illegible]	[illegible]

ATLANTA UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.
46 Moorgate, London EC2R 6EL
01-638 1711

73·0	50·0	Atlanta Asm Spec Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]
92·1	63·8	Atlanta Canadian Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]
59·3	43·6	Atlanta Jap. Far East	[illegible]	[illegible]

BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO. LTD.
3 Glenfinlas Street, Edinburgh
031-225 2581

107·0	96·4	Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]
149·1	97·5	American	[illegible]	[illegible]
205·2	100·0	Technology	[illegible]	[illegible]
126·5	97·0	Energy	[illegible]	[illegible]
157·8	100·0	Income Grth	[illegible]	[illegible]

BARCLAYS UNICORN LIMITED
252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB
01-534 5544

99·7	56·7	Unic. Amer	[illegible]	[illegible]
163·6	136·3	Unic. Aust. (Acc)	[illegible]	[illegible]
135·5	101·0	Unic. Australia	[illegible]	[illegible]
79·8	136·6	Unic. Cap.	[illegible]	[illegible]
335·2	243·8	Unic. Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]
59·2	46·2	Unic. Extra Inc.	[illegible]	[illegible]
197·0	125·4	Unic. Fin.	[illegible]	[illegible]
201·0	155·1	Unic. 500	[illegible]	[illegible]
109·9	79·4	Unic. Gen.	[illegible]	[illegible]
52·5	50·1	Unic. Gilt & Fix. Int.	[illegible]	[illegible]
117·1	78·3	Unic. Grth. Pac. (Acc)	[illegible]	[illegible]
116·5	100·0	Unic. Grth. Cap. (Inc)	[illegible]	[illegible]
149·3	105·8	Unic. Grth. Acc.	[illegible]	[illegible]
252·7	163·7	Unic. Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
109·4	82·0	Unic. Prop.	[illegible]	[illegible]
145·4	141·0	Unic. Rec.	[illegible]	[illegible]
88·2	43·3	Unic. Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]
130·0	87·5	Unic. Worldwide	[illegible]	[illegible]
256·6	186·4	Trust Inv. Fd. (Acc.)	[illegible]	[illegible]
173·5	128·4	Trust Inv. Fd. (Inc.)	[illegible]	[illegible]

BARING BROTHERS & CO. LIMITED
8 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 4AE
01-283 8833

226·7	210·1	Strat. Sm. Co's Ex Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
63·8	46·2	Stratton Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]
72·9	65·7	Stratton Tst Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]
120·5	106·9	Stratton Euro. Fd.	[illegible]	[illegible]

BARRINGTON MGMT. CO., LTD
59 Gresham Street, London EC2P 2DS
01-606 4433

126·5	89·7	Gen Fd Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
157·5	117·5	Gen Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
116·5	74·6	High Yield Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
126·1	84·4	High Yield Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
295·1	213·3	Smaller Co's Fd Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
340·7	241·3	Smaller Co's Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
108·9	72·0	Pacific Fd Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
141·7	83·0	Pacific Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
268·8	189·6	Sth Am Fd Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
305·5	213·7	Sth Am Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
265·5	187·3	European Fd Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
321·4	229·4	European Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
128·4	*104·8*	*High Yield Fd Inc*	[illegible]	[illegible]
157·4	141·5	Gilt Yield Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
153·6	94·4	Japan Fd Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
153·6	94·4	Japan Fd Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]

BISHOPSGATE PROGRESSIVE MANAGEMENT CO.
65 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1A 2DR
01-248 4000

765·3	511·7	Bishopsgt Prog. Mar 5	[illegible]	[illegible]
1030·8	685·6	Acc Units Mar 5	[illegible]	[illegible]
866·5	638·9	Bishop Intl Feb 26	[illegible]	[illegible]
1068·3	764·0	Accum Feb 26	[illegible]	[illegible]
183·7	145·1	Beckman March 6	[illegible]	[illegible]
105·3	79·0	Can & Gen Mar 7	[illegible]	[illegible]
108·6	98·3	Accum Mar 7	[illegible]	[illegible]

BRIDGE FUND MNGRS (A) (C)
Regis House, King William St, E.C.4
01-623 4951

86·3	50·0	American Gen. Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
83·3	50·1	American Gen. Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
114·5	100·0	Income Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
116·2	96·4	Capital Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
147·9	109·4	Capital Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
258·0	200·0	Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]
42·2	34·3	Intnl. Recovery Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
45·2	44·8	Intnl. Recovery Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]

BRITANNIA GROUP OF UNIT TRUSTS LIMITED
Salisbury House, 29 Finsbury Circus, London EC2. 01-588 1717
Dealing 01-638 0475/0479

108·8	65·8	American Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]
51·7	50·0	American Income	[illegible]	[illegible]
38·1	19·6	American Smaller Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
82·1	61·7	American Spec. Sits	[illegible]	[illegible]
88·8	65·0	Australasian Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]
162·2	124·6	Commodity Share	[illegible]	[illegible]
10·1	10·0	European Sm. Co's	[illegible]	[illegible]
61·5	42·0	Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]
69·0	52·0	Exempt Mkt Leaders	[illegible]	[illegible]
52·8	45·4	Extra Income	[illegible]	[illegible]
47·3	33·2	Far East	[illegible]	[illegible]
59·7	29·5	Financial Securities	[illegible]	[illegible]
38·8	25·0	Gilt	[illegible]	[illegible]
34·3	21·2	Gold & General	[illegible]	[illegible]
53·3	49·0	Growth Gilt	[illegible]	[illegible]
28·4	15·5	Hong Kong Perf	[illegible]	[illegible]
181·6	129·8	Income & Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]
38·3	30·0	Intnl. Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]
14·1	9·9	Intnl. Leisure Wkr	[illegible]	[illegible]
46·2	37·1	Japan Performance	[illegible]	[illegible]
13·5	10·7	Japan Smaller Co's	[illegible]	[illegible]
129·9	117·0	National High Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
19·9	17·8	Preference shares	[illegible]	[illegible]
41·9	32·9	Property shares	[illegible]	[illegible]
49·2	38·0	Recovery	[illegible]	[illegible]
119·9	91·0	Smaller Companies	[illegible]	[illegible]
81·5	61·9	Special Mkt. Sits	[illegible]	[illegible]
37·6	26·0	U.K. Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]
85·8	65·2	Universal Energy	[illegible]	[illegible]
54·6	40·7	World Technology	[illegible]	[illegible]

BROWN SHIPLEY & CO.
8-17 Ferrymead Rd, Harwards Heath
0444 458144

52·6	42·5	Brown Shipley Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
85·2	66·7	Aeolus	[illegible]	[illegible]
102·3	76·3	Financial	[illegible]	[illegible]
178·6	125·9	Growth Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]
117·4	88·0	Growth Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
92·7	37·9	High Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
59·2	44·0	Income Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
62·1	43·4	North American	[illegible]	[illegible]
39·9	24·9	Orient Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
54·7	32·7	Recovery	[illegible]	[illegible]
174·5	137·7	Technology Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY LTD.
The Stock Exchange, EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868

130·0	96·3	Buckmaster Intl Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
80·5	66·4	Buckmaster Inc. Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
173·5	129·9	Buckmaster Gen. Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
1100·0	808·2	Buckmaster Sm. C'ld	[illegible]	[illegible]

CANADA LIFE
85·8	72·3	Can. Life Gen. Fbd	[illegible]	[illegible]
146·4	109·3	Can. Life Inc. Dist	[illegible]	[illegible]
65·2	52·3	Can. Life Inc. Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]

CANNON FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx.
HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876

265·9	198·6	Inc.	[illegible]	[illegible]
147·6	100·7	Far East	[illegible]	[illegible]
148·2	91·0	North American	[illegible]	[illegible]
230·5	174·6	Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]

CHIEFTAIN TRUST MANAGERS
11 New Street, London EC2M 4TP
01-283 1903

21·6	20·3	Gilt & Fix. Inc.	[illegible]	[illegible]
47·0	36·3	High Income	[illegible]	[illegible]
49·4	32·1	Inc. & Grth.	[illegible]	[illegible]
30·3	27·9	Special	[illegible]	[illegible]
71·4	53·8	International	[illegible]	[illegible]
38·5	29·5	Global	[illegible]	[illegible]
54·9	39·8	American	[illegible]	[illegible]
37·4	18·9	Australian	[illegible]	[illegible]
70·7	74·4	Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TST MANAGERS LTD.
Narrow Plain, Bristol, BS2 0JH
(0272) 277712

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

CONFEDERATION FUND MNGMT
[illegible]	[illegible]	Growth Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

COUNTY BANK UNIT SERVICES LTD
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown Life House, Woking GU21 1XW
(04862) 24033

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

FIRST CITY TST MNGMT LTD
4 Melville Cres., Edinburgh EH3 7JB
031-220 3492 (Dealers)

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMIN LIMITED
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AY
061-236 5685

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT LTD
River Walk, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1DY
0732 362222

[illegible]	[illegible]	American Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]

FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MNGT LTD
1 Laurence Pountney Hill, EC4 R0BA
01-623 4680

[illegible]	[illegible]	Far American Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

ARCHWAY UNIT TRUST MNGRS. LTD.
827·1	171·3	Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
35·3	29·1	Growth Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]
55·5	50·0	High Yield Ex. Fd.	[illegible]	[illegible]

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MNGT LTD
3 London Wall Buildings, EC2M 5NQ
01-628 5181

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

HERITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
52, Berkeley Square, London, W1X 6EH
01-493 6621

[illegible]	[illegible]	Heritable Growth Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Heritable Income Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

HESSIONS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD.
30/31 Friar Street, Reading, Berks
0734 595511

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST. MNGRS.
45 Beech St., London EC2P 2LX
01-628 8011

[illegible]	[illegible]	British Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]

KEY FUND MANAGERS
33 Fountain St., Manchester M2 2AE
061-236 5685

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT MNGRS.
20 Fenchurch St., London EC3
01-623 8000

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LOYDS BANK UNIT TST. MNGRS. LTD.
Registrar's Dept., Goring-by-Sea, Worthing, West Sussex.
0903 502547. Dealing: 0444 459144

[illegible]	[illegible]	Balanced Unit Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]

LONDON & MANCHESTER GLT. MNGMT. LTD.
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS
0392 215347

[illegible]	[illegible]	General Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]

LONDON LAW UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.
Bailey House, Old Seacoal Lane, London EC4. 01-236 6105

[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital Grth. Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

M & G GROUP P.L.C.
Three Quays, Tower Hill, London EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588

[illegible]	[illegible]	American & Gen. Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD
St George's Way, Stevenage
0438 356101

[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt & Fixed Int	[illegible]	[illegible]

MARLBOROUGH COURT FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
103 Oxford St., Manchester M60 7HA
061-236 9432

[illegible]	[illegible]	U.K. Equity Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

MENCAP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Unicorn House, 252 Romford Road, London E7. 01-534 5544

[illegible]	[illegible]	Mencap	[illegible]	[illegible]

MERCURY FD MNGRS LTD
33 King William St., London EC4R 9AS
01-280 2800. Deal: 01-280 2860

[illegible]	[illegible]	Gen. Fd. Dist	[illegible]	[illegible]

MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LIMITED
Courtwood House, Silver Street Head, Sheffield S1 3RD. 0742 738843

[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital	[illegible]	[illegible]

MINSTER FUND MNGRS LTD
97·8	74·8	The Minster Fd.	[illegible]	[illegible]

MONTAGU UNIT TRUST MNGRS
11 Devonshire Square, EC2M 4YR
01-626 3434

[illegible]	[illegible]	Gold & Prec'n Metals	[illegible]	[illegible]

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TST MANAGEMENT LIMITED
163 Hope St., Glasgow G2
041-221 5521

[illegible]	[illegible]	American Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD
48 Gracechurch St., London EC3P 3HH
01-623 4200

[illegible]	[illegible]	Growth Inc Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

NORWICH UNION INSURANCE GROUP
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

OPPENHEIMER FUND MNGT LTD.
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01-236 3535

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01-405 8441 (24 hrs) 47721

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Oxon. RG9 2AZ. (0491) 576868

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PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS
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01-280 5456

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01-606 1066

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Regal House, 14 James St, WC2
0785 827733

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SCHRODER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED
Box 273, St Peter Port, Guernsey
0481 28750

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[illegible]	[illegible]	Aus. Smaller Co's Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FUND MANAGERS LIMITED
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031-554 8101

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SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD.
409 St Vincent Street, Glasgow
041-248 4700

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SCOTTISH UNIT MANAGERS LTD
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031-226 4372

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ARBUTHNOT FUND MANAGEMENT
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU
031-655 6000

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STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
5 George St., Edinburgh EH2 2XZ
031-225 2532

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45, Charlotte Sq., Edinburgh
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[illegible]	[illegible]	American Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

SUN ALLIANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Sun Alliance House, Horsham
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Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941

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TOUCHE, REMNANT UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD
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WARDLEY UNIT TST. MANAGERS LTD.
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[illegible]	[illegible]	Australian Gold Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

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[illegible]	[illegible]	Short Dated Gilt Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

ANTHONY WIELER UNIT TST. MNGMT. LTD.
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AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOC.
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182·0	155·8	Managed Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]

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46, Charlotte Square, Edinburgh
031-225 1658

[illegible]	[illegible]	Ivory & Sime Bond	[illegible]	[illegible]

CLERICAL MEDICAL FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL
Narrow Plain, Bristol, BS2 0JH
(0272) 290566

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CONFEDERATION LIFE INS. CO.
52, Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1HE
01-405 6611

[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

CORNHILL INSURANCE PLC
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

CRITERION ASSURANCE GROUP
Swan Court, Petersfield, Hants
0730-63281

[illegible]	[illegible]	Criterion Man Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

CROWN LIFE
Crown Life House, Woking, GU21 1XW
04862 5033

Life Funds

[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Acc	[illegible]	[illegible]

E.L.P.P. Funds
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FRAMLINGTON LIFE INSURANCE LIMITED
55·0	50·0	Pension Managed Fd	[illegible]	[illegible]

FRIENDS' PROVIDENT LINKED LIFE ASSURANCE
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885055

[illegible]	[illegible]	Cash Accum.	[illegible]	[illegible]

EAGLE STAR INSURANCE MIDLAND ASSURANCE
[illegible]	[illegible]	Eagle Midland Units	[illegible]	[illegible]

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
4, Coleman Street, London EC2R 5AP
01-606 6611

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The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation

Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability

Results for 1984

The Directors announce that (subject to audit) the profit of the HongkongBank Group for the year ended 31 December 1984 was approximately HK$2,591 million (1983: HK$2,492 million), an increase of 4 *per cent*. The profit was arrived at after providing for taxation and after making the normal transfers to inner reserves, out of which provision for changes in the value of assets has been made. Audited accounts will be published at a later date.

The Directors propose the payment of a final dividend of HK$0.31 per share. Together with the interim dividend of HK$429 million already paid, the total distribution for 1984 will amount to HK$1,316 million (1983: HK$1,258 million), an increase of 4.6 *per cent*.

Increase in Authorised Capital

The Directors intend to recommend to shareholders at the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting to be held on 14 May 1985 that the authorised capital of the Bank be increased from HK$8,000 million to HK$12,000 million by the creation of 1,600 million new shares of HK$2.50 each.

Bonus Issue

The Directors also intend to recommend to shareholders at the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting that a bonus issue of shares be made in the proportion of one new share for every ten shares held on 14 May 1985 by the capitalisation of HK$714,966,805 from the Reserve Fund of the Bank. If that recommendation is approved, the Reserve Fund will be restored by a transfer from retained profits. The bonus shares will not rank for the recommended final dividend but will rank *pari passu* with existing shares in all other respects.

Prospects for 1985

Economic growth is expected to continue at a reasonable rate in the United States and at a more modest pace in other major industrialised nations. Though this will undoubtedly be of benefit to world trade, the volatility we have seen in the foreign exchange markets and the continued problems many third world countries have in servicing their debt will mean conditions are likely to remain difficult.

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Against this background the Directors consider that profitability of the Group will continue at a satisfactory level and are confident of their ability to recommend at least the same rate of dividend as for 1984, that is HK$0.46 per share on the increased capital as proposed, representing an increase in distribution of 10 *per cent*.

Closing of Register of Shareholders

The Register of Shareholders will be closed from 22 April until 14 May 1985 (both dates inclusive). In order to qualify for the final dividend and bonus issue, all transfers (accompanied by the relevant share certificates) must be lodged with the Registrars not later than 4.00 pm on 19 April 1985.

By Order of the Board
F R Frame
Secretary

Hong Kong, 12 March 1985

HongkongBank

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation

Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability

Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the shareholders of the Bank will be held in the City Hall, Hong Kong, at 2.30 pm on Tuesday 14 May 1985 to transact the following ordinary business:

1 to receive and consider the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the Reports of the Directors and of the Auditors for the year ended 31 December 1984 and to declare a final dividend;

2 to elect Directors; and

3 to appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration

and to consider and (if thought fit) pass the following Ordinary Resolutions by way of special business:

4 That the capital of the Bank be increased from HK$8,000 million to HK$12,000 million by the creation of 1,600 million new shares of HK$2.50 each;

5 That:

(a) it is desirable to capitalise the sum of HK$714,966,805 from the reserves of the Bank and that accordingly the said sum be capitalised and applied in payment in full for 285,986,722 unissued shares of the Bank of HK$2.50 each;

(b) such new shares, credited as paid-up, be distributed among the shareholders who on 14 May 1985 were registered shareholders of the Bank in the proportion of one new share for every ten shares then held by them respectively;

(c) such new shares shall in all respects rank *pari passu* with the existing shares of the Bank, except that they shall not rank for dividends for the year ended 31 December 1984;

(d) the Board be and is hereby authorised to allot and issue such new shares for distribution in the manner and proportion aforesaid, but so that shares representing fractions shall be sold and the net proceeds retained for the benefit of the Bank; and

6 That a general mandate be and is hereby unconditionally given to the Directors to issue and dispose of additional shares not exceeding one *per cent* of the issued share capital of the Bank.

By Order of the Board
F R Frame
Secretary

Hong Kong, 12 March 1985

UNIT TRUST PRICES

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PROPERTY EQUITY AND LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Cumberland House, Baxter Avenue, Southend on Sea, SS2 6HQ 0702 333433

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
267·5	124·2	Flex. Mon Bnd Fnd	267·5	—
110·6	100·0	Int Man Ser Bnd F	110·6	—
100·1	100·0	Tower Mnged Inv Fd	102·1	—

PROPERTY GROWTH ASSURANCE CO. LTD
Leon House, Croydon, CR9 1LU 01-680 0606

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
294·3	286·9	Property Fund	299·8	—
283·5	278·2	Property Fund A	290·6	—
111·63	111·23	Agricultural Fund	71·63	—
111·29	110·83	Agric. Fund A	17·29	—
236·6	130·9	Abbey Nat Fund	235·6	—
237·0	229·5	Abbey Nat Fd. A	237·0	—
161·7	151·7	Investment Fund	159·2	—
158·1	131·5	Investment Fd. A	155·8	—
556·5	408·7	Equity Fund	545·0	—
545·3	399·5	Equity Fund A	535·0	—
259·5	219·9	Money Fund	249·5	—
251·4	245·0	Money Fund A	251·1	—
259·5	276·4	Actuarial Fund	266·5	—
306·9	155·9	Gilt-Edged Fund	321·1	—
306·9	185·9	Gilt Edged Fd. A	301·7	—
396·1	357·4	Retire Annuity	395·1	—
156·0	153·0	Immediate Ann'ty	156·0	—
516·8	257·0	International Fund	351·1	—
516·8	257·0	Interna. Fd. A	351·1	—
117·2	103·8	Bld. Soc. Life Fd.	117·2	—

Property Growth Pensions & Annuities Ltd.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
537·5	265·5	All Wthr. Acc Uts	314·1	330·6
357·0	278·4	Inv. Fd. Uts	343·1	—
380·6	256·3	Pension Fd. Uts	380·0	—
350·5	285·6	Conv. Pns. Fd.	350·5	—
339·2	251·5	Cnv. Pns. Cap. Ut	249·3	—
427·4	335·5	Man. Pens. Fd.	427·4	—
318·5	256·3	Man. Pens. Cap. Ut	312·6	—
323·1	254·4	Prop. Pens. Fd.	323·1	—
251·0	214·5	Prop. Pens. Cap. Ut	231·0	—
299·6	255·5	Bldg. Soc. Pen. Ut	239·6	—
219·8	197·7	Bldg. Soc. Cap. Ut	219·8	—
189·5	167·4	Gilts Pens. Fd.	166·9	—
159·4	142·5	Gilt Pens. Fd. Cap.	154·9	—
350·0	253·2	Equity Pens. Fd.	347·9	—
293·3	216·1	Equity Pens. Fd. Cap	289·2	—
138·9	94·2	Intl. Pens Fd.	132·6	—
125·4	92·2	Intl. Pens. Fd. Cap.	125·3	—

PROVIDENCE CAPITOL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
137·2	112·6	Equity	129·4	136·6
152·1	87·6	Fixed Interest	96·9	170·2
100·9	78·4	International	94·7	99·0
113·1	94·6	Managed	106·2	112·0
140·8	120·4	Property	133·6	140·2
88·7	68·3	Special Market	80·2	84·7

PROVIDENT LIFE ASSOCIATION OF LONDON LTD
266 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4QP 01-247 3200

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
625·0	499·0	Unit	593·8	625·0
127·0	104·0	Equity	120·4	126·4
116·0	102·0	Fixed Interest	108·4	115·8
110·3	108·0	Property	105·0	110·5
118·0	101·0	Index-linked	112·4	118·0
109·6	105·0	Deposit	104·4	109·6
127·4	104·0	Pension Mixed Ord	121·3	127·4

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PROVIDENT MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION
William Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 0LP 0438 73900

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
170·9	130·6	Managed Ord	162·4	170·3
157·8	132·2	Managed Init	149·9	157·8
210·4	153·1	Equity Ord	199·1	209·3
194·3	146·9	Equity Init	184·5	194·2
112·3	97·6	Index Lnk Gilt Ord	106·5	112·1
106·3	96·1	Index Lnk Gilt Init	102·7	108·1
188·4	145·4	O'seas Equity Ord	174·8	184·0
174·2	137·1	O'seas Equity Init	161·5	170·0
121·9	130·6	Property Ord	115·8	121·9
112·5	106·2	Property Init	106·9	112·5
127·9	112·3	Fixed Interest Ord	118·9	125·2
119·1	105·9	Fixed Interest Init	109·8	115·6
115·1	107·5	Deposit Ord	109·3	115·1
106·3	103·2	Deposit Init	101·0	106·3
185·6	146·8	Pen Managed Ord	176·3	185·6
171·4	140·3	Pen Managed Init	162·8	171·4
251·2	182·8	Pen Equity Ord	222·4	251·1
216·3	156·3	Pen Equity Init	205·3	216·1
115·2	98·2	Pen Ind Lkd Gilt Ord	109·5	115·1
111·1	96·7	Pen Ind Lkd Gilt Init	105·4	110·9
203·6	152·4	Pen O'seas Eqty Ord	188·5	198·4
188·2	143·7	Pen O'seas Eqty Init	174·0	183·2
129·3	114·3	Pen Property Ord	122·8	129·3
119·4	109·8	Pen Property Init	113·4	119·4
131·9	114·1	Pen Fixed Int Ord	122·5	128·7
122·8	107·6	Pen Fixed Int Init	112·9	118·8
126·1	112·7	Pen Deposit Ord	119·8	126·1
116·5	108·2	Pen Deposit Init	110·7	116·5

PROVINCIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria, LA9 4BE 0539 23415

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
370·9	290·1	Managed Fund	351·8	370·8
407·1	300·8	Equity Fund	385·5	406·3
234·9	156·9	High Income Fund	213·4	224·9
216·1	155·4	International Fund	201·1	212·0
298·3	203·9	Special Sits Fund	283·0	298·3
218·4	185·3	Fixed Interest Fd.	197·6	208·3
387·0	208·0	Technology Fund	245·5	261·1
251·5	180·8	Nth American Fund	229·1	250·9
248·3	191·1	Far Eastern Fund	223·8	236·1
174·4	103·0	Extra Income Fd.	118·0	124·4
293·1	222·9	Man Pension Acc Fd	278·4	293·1

PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
150·9	119·0	Prufund Man. Fd.	144·0	150·9

ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE LTD
New Hall Place, Liverpool, L69 3HS 051-227 4422

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
452·1	356·6	Royal Shield Fd.	436·7	452·4

ROYAL LIFE (UNIT LINKED ASS.) LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
178·9	137·0	Managed Fd.	158·7	178·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Fd.	197·3	207·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Fd.	130·3	137·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	International Fd.	239·9	252·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt Fd.	133·3	139·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Money Fd.	112·2	118·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	U.S. Fd.	118·5	124·7
129·5	100·0	Pacific Basin Fd.	110·6	116·6

ROYAL LIFE (UNIT LKD PEN. FD) LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
165·8	130·5	Exempt Man. Fd.	157·6	165·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exempt Equity Fd.	226·4	237·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exempt Prop. Fd.	121·7	126·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exempt Intnl. Fd.	301·7	317·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Exempt Gilt Fd.	127·3	134·0
125·3	112·2	Exempt Money Fd.	118·6	125·0

ROYAL LONDON MUTUAL INS. SOC. LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
209·8	173·5	E. L. Mixed Fd.	199·2	209·8

SAVE & PROSPER GROUP

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
105·2	78·7	Global Equity	96·5	102·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property	290·5	307·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Balanced Inv.	305·1	320·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gilt	235·9	248·7
65·7	56·6	Property Pension	59·3	59·6
71·6	56·3	Equity Pension	67·8	71·8
69·9	52·5	Managed Pension	65·9	69·1
81·8	65·8	Global Equity Pen.	76·5	81·0

SCHRODER LIFE GROUP
Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
289·4	170·5	American 4	213·6	289·7
116·5	111·2	Australian	116·4	122·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	C M Vanard Man 4	265·6	274·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit 4	186·8	196·6
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity 4	594·6	626·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	European 4	195·1	205·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int. 4	256·6	270·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Income Dist. 4	204·0	214·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Income Accum. 4	261·1	275·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	International 4	252·7	213·5
[illegible]	[illegible]	International Pen 4	119·8	126·1
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed 4	312·0	328·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property 4	284·8	299·7
160·5	157·9	Singapore & Malay 4	148·6	156·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Smaller Co's 4	287·8	371·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tokyo 4	227·4	239·3
[illegible]	[illegible]	UK Equity 4	236·3	250·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Deposit Pension 4	115·9	132·0
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity Pensions 4	356·1	374·8
[illegible]	[illegible]	Fixed Int. Pen. 4	229·4	240·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Guaranteed Pen. 4	118·6	124·7
[illegible]	[illegible]	Index-Lnk Gilt Pen 4	100·0	109·4
[illegible]	[illegible]	Managed Pension 4	782·1	823·2
[illegible]	[illegible]	Property Pen. 4	252·2	265·4
225·0	165·7	Spec. Ex'pt Pen. 4	211·0	221·0

SCOTTISH AMICABLE LIFE ASS. SOCIETY
150 St Vincent St., Glasgow G2 5NQ 041-248 2323

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
201·6	186·4	Managed	190·9	201·0
168·9	145·5	Fixed Interest	153·7	161·8
242·6	183·8	Equity	230·2	242·4
220·4	169·4	International	207·0	217·9
127·3	118·6	Property	120·9	127·3
115·8	97·6	Index-Lin'd Gilt Fd.	108·8	115·6
157·4	132·5	Exempt Man. Fd. Int.	149·5	157·4
189·9	153·9	Exempt Man. Fd. Ac.	180·4	189·0
149·2	131·5	Exempt Fx. In. Fd. Ir.	139·0	146·4
177·1	153·1	Exe'pt Fx. In. Fd. Ac.	167·7	176·6
181·6	140·6	Exempt Eq'ty Fd. Int	171·1	180·2
217·4	161·3	Exe'pt Eq'ty Fd. Acm	206·5	217·4
166·5	125·8	Exempt Intl. Fd. Int	153·0	160·1
206·5	146·1	Exempt Intl. Fd. Acm	184·5	194·3
98·1	97·4	Exempt Prop. Fd. Int	92·8	97·7
117·8	111·0	Exempt Prop Fd. Acc.	111·9	117·6
129·5	127·5	Cash Fund	123·0	129·5
112·9	108·0	Exempt Cash Fund	107·2	112·9

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
31 St Andrew Sq., Edinburgh EH2 2OZ 031-556-9101

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
221·5	165·9	Mixed	210·4	221·5
240·5	144·4	Equity	228·3	240·4
130·4	114·1	Fixed Int.	123·4	129·9
263·8	172·5	International	244·1	257·0
124·0	109·5	Property	117·8	124·0
115·1	96·5	Index linked	108·5	114·3
122·88	109·88	Cash	116·84	122·88
125·4	90·0	Edinburgh Inv.	113·4	119·4
131·6	82·9	Edinburgh Am.	117·1	123·3
120·7	80·7	Baillie Gifford Jap.	113·0	119·0

SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS
19, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9101

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·5	95·6	Managed	115·6	121·7
119·5	103·0	Property	104·1	109·6
131·1	95·0	U.K. Equity	124·0	130·6
162·2	99·4	American	148·2	156·1
130·5	89·9	Pacific	120·4	126·9
126·4	99·6	European	120·0	126·4
138·7	97·8	International	128·8	135·6
106·8	95·8	Fixed Int.	99·9	104·2
110·7	95·7	Index Linked	104·9	110·6
106·1	100·0	Deposit	100·7	106·1
112·8	100·7	Pens Property	107·1	112·8
138·6	99·0	Pens U.K. Equity	130·6	137·6
178·8	99·4	Pens American	159·1	167·6
136·9	90·8	Pens Pacific	125·9	132·6
151·9	97·8	Pens European	125·7	132·3
147·1	98·7	Pens International	136·6	143·9
108·4	94·2	Pens Fixed Int.	100·7	106·1
113·0	95·8	Pens Index Linked	107·1	112·9
110·3	100·0	Pens Deposit	104·7	110·3
127·6	96·4	Pens Managed	120·3	126·8

PRUDENTIAL PENSION LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
196·7	147·3	Prulink Man. Fd.	186·6	196·7
134·4	115·3	Prulink Cash Fd.	128·0	134·4

REFUGE INVESTMENTS LIMITED

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
182·8	150·2	Managed Fd.	173·6	182·8
145·9	131·8	Property Fd.	136·6	145·9

SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INSTITUTION
6, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh 031-556 9181

1984-5 High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
122·0	99·8	Mixed	115·7	121·9
133·2	110·4	Equity	125·5	128·8
147·2	102·5	International	135·7	142·9
110·8	101·2	Property	106·4	112·1
107·5	95·2	Fixed Int	100·2	105·6
107·9	91·6	Index Linked	102·5	107·8
107·8	100·9	Cash	102·4	107·5
119·3	99·1	Pen Mixed Int	113·1	119·2
124·3	101·5	Pen Mixed Ord	118·0	121·3
132·0	99·8	Pen Equity Initial	125·1	130·0
137·1	101·8	Pen Equity Ord	128·5	135·1
142·6	120·9	Pen Intl Initial	135·1	142·5
143·5	103·2	Pen Intl Ord	141·1	148·6
110·9	101·5	Pen Prop Init	105·5	110·9
115·8	101·5	Pen Prop Ord	109·9	115·8
109·2	95·5	Pen Fix Int Init	103·4	105·8
115·6	97·2	Pen Fix Int Ord	104·6	110·2
105·0	99·9	Pen I.L. Init	99·5	104·9
110·1	92·1	Pen I.L. Ord	104·3	109·9
107·3	100·8	Pen Cash Init	101·8	107·3
112·1	101·2	Pen Cash Ord	106·4	113·1

SCOTTISH WIDOWS GROUP
P.O. Box 902, Edinburgh, EH16 5BU. 031-655 6000

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
359·2	265·9	Inv Pol 1	351·2	359·2
351·2	258·1	Inv Pol 2	314·6	331·2
325·5	255·2	Inv Pol 3	310·1	325·5
169·8	158·5	Inv Pol Cash	161·5	169·8
196·4	154·5	Mixed Fd.	177·1	186·4
215·7	164·6	Equity Fd.	202·9	213·7
132·8	120·7	Prop Fd.	126·0	132·8
176·2	132·1	Intnl Fd.	162·3	171·0
161·4	148·8	Fix Int Fd.	155·6	163·8
116·2	100·6	Ind Lnk Fd.	110·6	116·7
136·5	113·3	Cash Fd.	130·0	136·5
215·2	172·7	Pen Mxd Ord	204·4	215·2
233·5	178·3	Pen Eq Ord	227·4	239·5
146·5	129·1	Pen Prop Ord	139·1	146·0
251·6	146·8	Pen Intl Ord	186·1	198·1
196·4	170·1	Pen FI Ord	183·0	192·7
122·4	103·2	Pen Ind st Ord	116·2	122·4
146·9	131·6	Pen Cash Ord	136·5	146·9
898·3	706·0	PM Man	898·5	898·3
912·2	715·9	PM Stk Ex	918·2	918·2
157·7	125·7	PM Prop	157·7	157·7
152·4	135·8	PM Cash	152·1	152·4
428·9	342·9	Ex Unit Acc	415·3	428·9

SKANDIA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
Frobisher House, Nelson Gate, Southampton. 0703 334411

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
191·0	155·4	Managed Life Acc.	179·1	188·5
336·3	184·6	Managed PensionsAc	221·3	232·9
317·1	175·2	InternationalLifeAcc	202·3	212·9
239·8	232·0	International Pens Acc	276·8	291·4
125·5	95·3	Arbuthnot ManLifeAc	114·5	120·5
124·5	94·9	Arbuthnot Pens Acc	118·3	124·5
106·7	86·2	Britannia ManLifeAc	100·5	105·8
127·7	92·5	Britannia Pens ons Ac	115·6	121·6
115·5	90·8	Framlington ManLife Ac	108·1	113·7
121·0	99·7	FramlingtonPensAcc	108·1	113·7
115·9	88·1	Gartmore ManLifeAc	125·3	131·8
132·9	95·9	Gartmore Pens Acc	125·3	131·8
114·9	92·1	HendersonManLifeAc	109·2	114·9
130·0	98·7	Henderson Pens Acc	122·5	129·0
112·7	91·1	T&B Managed Life Ac	106·2	111·7
130·9	98·0	T&B Pensions Acc	120·3	126·6
196·8	159·5	Equity Life Acc	186·9	196·8
253·1	191·0	Equity Pensions Acc	237·8	250·3
157·4	143·1	Gilt Plus Life Acc	147·7	155·2
196·4	174·4	Gilt Plus Pens Acc	184·0	193·7
149·5	136·9	Property Life Acc	111·6	149·0
186·7	167·6	Property Pens Acc	179·3	188·7
150·6	137·1	Deposit Life Acc	142·2	149·7
192·7	172·6	Deposit Pensions Acc	183·1	192·7

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.
3, George St., Edinburgh, EH2 2XZ 031-225 2552

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
275·0	213·0	Managed	260·5	274·3
175·8	161·7	Property	167·0	175·8
356·0	260·9	Equity	336·4	354·2
369·7	206·5	International	265·4	279·4
206·2	174·9	Fixed Interest	191·5	191·1
341·6	252·7	Pens. Mngd	324·3	341·4
455·0	57·6	Pens Equity	432·2	455·0
369·5	245·2	Pens Intnl	359·2	367·1
112·5	97·7	Index-Linked	106·3	111·9
149·5	139·2	Cash	142·0	149·5
167·1	164·9	Pens Property	177·6	167·0
209·5	164·3	Pens Fixed Interest	197·5	207·9
115·5	96·3	Pens Index-Linked	109·7	115·5
176·1	157·7	Pens Cash	167·2	176·1

SUN ALLIANCE LINKED LIFE INSURANCE LTD
Sun Alliance House, Horsham. 0403-64141

Life Funds

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
399·0	314·4	Equity	372·6	392·3
231·9	204·2	Fixed Interest	213·7	225·0
283·6	193·9	International	262·7	276·6
314·3	248·0	Managed	298·2	313·9
251·7	225·6	Property	234·1	251·7
163·8	153·2	Deposit	155·7	163·8
136·0	113·2	Index Linked	129·0	135·8
124·6	98·3	North America	113·5	119·5
116·9	100·6	Far East	108·8	114·6
153·57	131·75	International Bond.	—	151·88

Pension Funds

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
216·0	156·4	Equity	204·1	214·9
195·1	171·2	Fixed Interest	183·5	192·2
144·6	119·8	Property	137·3	144·9
205·5	162·0	Managed	195·1	205·4
160·9	132·8	Index Linked	152·5	160·6
243·2	160·5	International	224·7	236·6
135·9	120·9	Deposit	129·1	135·6

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA (UK) LTD
2, 3, & 4, Cockspur St., London SW1Y 5BH 01-930 5400

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
575·8	456·9	Growth Account	—	572·4
327·0	274·7	Managed Account	—	327·0
404·2	306·1	Equity Account	—	402·6
164·4	138·4	Maple Leaf Mngd Fd	156·2	164·4
193·6	177·2	Maple Leaf Eq. Fd.	183·1	192·7
146·2	138·8	Maple Leaf Fix In Fd	134·3	141·4
129·0	113·1	Maple Leaf Prop. Fd	122·6	129·0
120·5	112·2	Maple Leaf Money Fd	111·3	120·5
229·4	170·4	Maple Leaf Intnl. Fd	217·9	229·4
120·0	102·8	Maple Leaf I.in Fd	114·0	120·0
603·6	480·7	Personal Pens. Acent	—	603·6
295·8	235·6	Pensions Mngd. Acc.	261·0	295·8
100·6	100·0	Pens Guaranteed Fd	95·6	100·6
100·1	99·7	Pens. Equity Fd.	95·1	100·1
100·3	100·0	Pens. Property Fd.	95·2	100·3
101·4	100·6	Pens. Fixed Int. Fd.	96·3	101·4
107·1	100·0	Pens. Intnl. Fd.	101·7	107·1
100·6	100·0	Pens. Money Fd.	95·6	100·6
103·6	100·0	Pens Index Link Fd	98·4	103·6

SUN LIFE UNIT ASSURANCE LTD
St James Barton, Bristol BS99 7SL 0272-426911

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
339·0	521·2	Managed Acc	321·0	337·9
107·3	205·3	Property Acc	196·8	207·2
455·4	352·7	Equity Acc	431·3	454·0
187·4	179·2	Fixed Interest Acc	175·4	184·7
110·1	163·4	Index-Linked Acc	104·3	109·8
171·3	168·8	Cash Acc	162·7	171·3
216·3	163·9	American Equity Acc	195·7	206·1
124·2	116·5	U.S. Bonds Acc	114·0	120·0
134·6	121·6	Japan Acc	121·3	127·7
121·2	103·7	Pacific Acc	109·6	115·4
269·8	261·1	Far Eastern Acc	208·9	263·1
263·5	237·8	International Acc	241·0	253·7
124·7	114·9	U.S. Dollar Acc	115·3	121·4
111·9	106·7	Yen Acc	103·9	109·4
107·0	104·6	European Curr. Acc	99·2	104·5
153·7	139·0	Distribution	145·6	153·2

SUN LIFE PENSIONS MNGMT LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
330·7	305·0	Pens. Mngd. Acc	313·3	329·7
167·0	160·8	Pens Property Acc	158·6	167·0
407·3	367·9	Pens. Equity Acc	386·8	407·2
176·7	171·1	Pens. Fixed Int. Acc	167·7	175·5
111·4	104·6	Pens. Ind. Link. Acc	105·5	111·1
170·4	165·1	Pens. Cash Acc	161·8	170·4
185·4	149·8	Pens. Ameri. Eq Acc	166·5	175·3
149·0	120·8	Pens U.S. Bonds Acc	136·1	143·3
141·0	123·2	Pens. Japan Acc	127·0	133·7
140·1	111·5	Pens Pacific Acc	127·8	133·7
451·8	350·0	Pens. Far Eastrn Acc	401·1	422·3
327·0	284·3	Pens. Intnl. Acc	301·1	317·0
135·3	120·8	Pens. U.S. Dollar Acc	124·3	130·9
122·5	113·2	Pens. Yen Acc	112·2	118·2
108·8	105·3	Pens. Euro. Curr. Acc	99·8	105·1

TSB LIFE & PENSIONS
P.O. Box 3, Keens House, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG. 0264-62188

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
128·0	106·5	Managed	121·2	127·7
112·8	104·6	Property	107·1	112·8
159·5	115·0	Equity	149·9	157·8
116·9	98·4	Fixed Int.	108·8	114·6
111·1	101·2	Money	105·5	111·1
231·8	180·0	Man. Pens	220·1	231·8
101·7	100·0	Deposit Pens	96·6	101·7

TEACHERS ASSURANCE CO. LTD

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
158·0	114·3	Managed Fund	151·1	158·0
119·1	104·2	Gilt & Fixed Int. Fd.	110·2	116·0
114·8	107·1	Cash Fund	109·1	114·8

TRANSINTERNATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. LTD
55-57, High Holborn WC1 6DU 01-831 7481

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
236·3	185·5	Series 2 Man. Fund	225·0	236·3
280·7	214·8	Series 2 Equity Fund	266·7	280·7
211·0	181·1	Series 2 Prop. Fund	198·5	208·9
208·9	173·3	Series 2 Fixed Int. Fd	187·0	196·8
145·2	137·6	Series 2 Money Fund	138·0	145·2
207·3	168·8	Series 2 O'seas Fund.	194·4	204·6
444·1	358·7	Tulip Invest. Fund	421·8	444·1
311·5	253·3	Tulip Managed Fund.	296·0	311·5
220·6	181·5	Managed Fund Inc.	209·5	220·5
265·0	208·7	Managed Fund Acc.	241·0	256·8
349·2	277·4	Man. Pen. Fund Cap.	331·8	349·2
451·6	355·3	Man. Pen. Fund Acc.	429·1	451·6

TRIDENT LIFE ASSURANCE CO. LTD
London Road, Gloucester. GL1 3LE 0452-580580.

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
263·0	191·6	American	243·2	256·1
193·6	153·6	International	178·5	188·0
277·2	225·1	U.K. Equity	262·5	276·4
265·9	222·8	Managed	251·5	264·8
320·1	255·0	High Yield	301·0	320·1
225·4	199·1	Gilt Edged	208·9	220·0
305·4	267·8	Growth Acc	288·5	303·8
250·5	214·5	Growth Cap	236·6	249·2
309·1	267·8	Property	291·6	309·1
261·0	235·4	Guaranteed	245·8	258·8
216·1	193·5	Money	205·2	216·1
250·5	220·8	Fiscal	237·1	249·6
359·5	211·2	Pensions Managed	339·9	357·7
236·1	211·2	Pensions Deposit	224·2	236·1
316·7	272·5	Pensions Property	300·8	316·7
353·4	221·6	Pensions Gilt Edged	235·7	348·2
346·6	265·2	Pens ons Equity	326·3	345·6
114·5	105·0	Pensions Swiss Bond	103·6	109·1
117·4	107·1	Pensions Woolwich	111·4	117·4
116·0	99·0	Henderson Active	109·1	114·9
123·8	99·0	Perpetual Active	116·4	122·5
100·2	76·2	Trident Bond	95·3	100·3
108·9	100·0	Henderson Pens	102·5	107·8
133·1	100·0	Perpetual Pens	125·7	132·4

VANBRUGH LIFE ASSURANCE LTD
41-43 Maddox Street, London W1R 9LA 01-499 4923

High	Low	Name	Bid	Offer
366·0	295·0	Managed	347·5	365·8
691·1	526·5	Equity	656·3	690·9
295·2	264·9	Fixed Interest	278·6	293·2
253·8	224·7	Property	241·1	253·8
303·1	218·1	International	278·1	292·8
134·6	94·0	North American	122·1	128·6
115·6	85·5	Pacific Basin	108·4	112·1
121·6	94·1	European	115·5	121·6
200·7	186·2	Cash	171·6	200·7
327·5	255·4	Pensions Managed	311·1	327·5
443·3	322·4	Pensions Equity	421·0	443·2
266·7	225·5	Pensions Fixed Int	252·3	266·7
219·5	201·3	Pensions Property	208·3	219·3
122·6	104·4	Pens Index-Linked Gilt	116·3	122·5
151·0	124·4	Pens Intnat'l Money	141·6	149·1
155·0	102·7	Pens. Global Equity	143·5	151·1
104·2	100·0	Pensions Cash	98·9	104·2
12·50	6·44	Pens. Guaranteed 3	11·50	—

* Ex-distribution.
† Based on offer prices.
WX Ex-withdrawal.

COMMODITIES

Gold up $5·50

IN the London bullion market yesterday a burst of support just past the afternoon fixing lifted the gold price, which closed at $293·50 an ounce fo ra gain of $5·50. Dealers said that customers' orders were attracted by the ...metal's ...stable ...showing earlier in the day despite the uncertain state of the foreign exchange market.

LONDON METAL MARKETS

Rudolf Wolff Report:

COPPER: Steady. Wire Bars: Off settlement £1,254 (£1,268), Off Midday Cash £1,257-£1,258, 3 Months £1,275-£1,276, After Close Cash £1,258-£1,259, 3 Months £1,277·50-£1,278. T/O 20,800 tonnes. Cathodes: Idle. Off settlement £1,243 (£1,257). Off Midday Cash £1,242-£1,243, 3 Months £1,267-£1,268. After Close Cash £1,245-£1,246, 3 Months £1,269-£1,271. T/O 700 tonnes.

TIN: Steady. Off settlement £10,145 (£10,140), Off M'dday Cash £10,140-£10,145, 3 Months £10,145-£10,150. After Close Cash £10,140-£10,150, 3 Months £10,140-£10,145. T/O 505 tonnes.

LEAD: Easier. Off Settlement £318·25 (£320·75), Off Midday Cash £318-£318·25, 3 Months £326·50-£327. After Close Cash £313·50-£314·50, 3 Months £323-£323·50. T/O 10,850 tonnes.

ZINC: Steady. Off settlement £819 (£828), off midday cash £817-£819, 3 mths £797·50-£798, aft close cash £824-£826, 3 mths £799-£800. T/O 6,450 tonnes.

SILVER: Firm. Midday cash 513·5p-514p, 3 mths 530·5p-531p, aft close cash 526·50p-527·50p, 3 mths 545p-546p. T/O 231 lots of 10,000 ozs each.

ALUMINIUM: Barley steady after firmer. Off settlement £992 (£1,006), £1,026·50-£1,027·50, aft close cash off midday cash £991-£992, 3 mths £992·50-£995·50, 3 mths £1,029-£1,030. T/O 9,050 tonnes.

NICKEL: Barely steady after firmer. Off settlement £4,687 (£4,715), off m'dday cash £4,682-£4,687, 3 mths £4,740-£4,734, aft close cash £4,680-£4,690, 3 mths £4,745-£4,755. T/O 910 tonnes.

LONDON GOLD FUTURES (Price list): T/O: Nil lots of 100 troy oz each.

LONDON SILVER MARKET: Spot 515·55 (508·60), 3 mths 530·15 (525), 6 mths 545·55 (539·85), 1 yr 574·05 (568·05).

PLATINUM: Free Market £239·85 (£226·40).

LONDON COMMODITY MARKETS

RUBBER: Spot 69·50-73 (70-73). Futures: Quiet. April £715-£750, May £725-£760, June £735-£770, July £745-£780, Aug. £750-£790, Sept. £765-£850, Oct. £775-£810, Nov £785-£820, Dec. £795-£830. T/O: 3 lots.

SISAL: East African quoted levels. No. 1 Basis $660, No. 3 Long $640. C.I.F. Antwerp prices.

SUGAR: London Daily Price Raws £99 $108. No. contract 5 per tonne. May 113·60-114, Aug. 119·60-120, Oct 125·40-125·60, Dec. 151·60-152, March 145·40-145·80, May 150·60-151·40, Aug. 156·60-156·80. T/O 1,866 lots.

SOYA MEAL: Unchanged. April £47·70-£47·90, June £39·60-£39·70, August £40-£40·70, Oct. £45-£46, Dec. £51-£52·50, Feb. £55·50-£58, April £56·50-£59. T/O: 127 lots.

COFFEE (£ per ton): March 2375, May 2125, July 2463, Sept. 2490, Nov. 2490, Jan. 2425, March —. Sales 1141.

COCOA E. D. & F. Man. (Cocoa report (£ per tonne): Closing prices March 2,106 (sell-2 105 (buy). May 2,093-2,092, July 2,071-2,070, Sept. 2,055-2,055, Dec. 1,966-1,965, March 1,964-1,938, May 1,960-1,960. Sales 5,373, options.

LONDON GRAIN MARKETS

LONDON BARLEY (£ per ton): March 114·45, May 117·35, Sept. 97·50, Nov. 101·20, Jan. 104·60.

WHEAT "B" (£ per ton): March 116·15, May 119·25, July 122·95, Sept. 97·90, Nov. 101·15.

HGCA: Locational ex-farm spot prices —Eastern, feed barley 113·3 (unch); E. Midlands, feed wheat 113·5 (— 150); feed barley 113·3 (+ 60). N.E., feed wheat 113·2 (— 10), feed barley 114·0 (+ 30); Scotland, feed barley 111·8 (— 30). UK monetary co-efficient for week beginning March 18 will remain unchanged.

CRUDE OIL

Rotterdam spot prices ($): Arab Light 2770, Arab Heavy 26·60, North Sea (Forties 28, North Sea (Brent) 27·60 April-26·80 May, Nigerian Bonny Medium 28, Dubai 27·10, Ninian 26·05.

GAS OIL FUTURES

March 235·50-35, April 223·75-24·50, May 220-19·75, June 218·50-18, July 216·50-18·25, Aug. 222·50-19, Sept. 226·50-21, Oct. 229·50-20, Nov. 232·50-20. Volume 1,677.

(GAFTA)

PIGMEAT (Gafta): April 109·50p, June 107·0p, Aug. 105·80p, Oct. 108·80p, Nov. 109·70p, Feb. 120·10p, T/O: 85 lots.

POTATOES (Gafta): April £43·50, May £49·10, Nov. £70·80, Feb £80·30, April £92·40. T/O: 385 lots of 40 tonnes each.

COVENT GARDEN

Fruit per lb: Eating apples 8-37, cookers 8-14, bananas 35-38, grapes 30-60, pears 8-28, Lara 35-38, plums 52-65, forced rhubarb 28-30, strawberries 80. Each: avocados 20-40, coconuts 28-30, figs 20-22, grapefruit 8-18, pink grapefruit 43, kiwi 26-30, lemons 4-10, limes 16-18, mangos 60-150, melons 90-150, oranges 4-20, clementines, etc. 5-20, pineapples 60-160, ugli 21-78.

Salad per lb: Chicory 64, cooked beetroot 25, raw beetroot 5-7, Chinese leaf 25-30, parsley 400, imported tomatoes 30-46, home grown 40-65, shallots 50, mint 270. Each: celery 15-30, imported cucumbers 30-55, home grown cucumbers 35-60, round lettuce 18-32, iceberg 50-70, endive 100. Per bunch: Watercress 18-20, mustard and cress 7, spring onion 15-30, raddish 16.

Vegetables per lb: Asparagus 200-260, root artichoke 40, aubergine 50-60, Kenya bean 90-100, brussels sprouts 20-25, broad beans 40, cabbage 10-12, calabrese 45-50, old carrots 6-11, new 20, courgettes 60-75, spring greens 22-25, leeks 15-20, mushrooms 60-75, onions 5-10, parsnip 7-9, peppers 60, old potatoes 2-5, new 12-25, swedes 7-9, turnips 10. Each: Globe artichokes and sweetcorn 30, celeriac 12-20, cauliflower 45-50.

LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices: GB cattle 93·73p per kg lw (— 0·67). GB sheep 196·28p per kg est dcw (+ 0·79). GB pigs 78·33p per kg lw (+ 0·98). England and Wales: Cattle Nos down 0·6 p.c. 94·12p (— 0·42), sheep Nos down 1·8 p.c. 197·98p (+ 11·55), pig Nos down 0·7 p.c. 78·33p (+ 0·98). Scotland: Cattle Nos down 6·5 p.c. 91·70p (— 3·01), sheep Nos down 13·7 p.c. 184·99p (+ 5·09).

GRIMSBY FISH

17,250 stones landed. Quayside prices ex-ship per 10 stone. Cod £38 to £43, codling £37 to £43, large haddock £60 to £64, medium £54 to £60, small £40 to £54, large lemons £110 to £125, medium £90 to £95, small £40 to £65.

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1984/85 High	Low	Share	Mid Price	
26½	5	Air Ship Indus.	21½	+1
40½	39½	Ambitemp	39½	—1
43	43½	Appleton	45½	
27	25	Assoc. Furniture	25	
152½	114	Alli Systems	140½	+3
36	11½	Award Resources	11½	—2*
7	4	Belsoir Pet.	4½	
17½	12	Berkeley Leisure	15½	
65½	25	Bleasdale	64½	—1½
35½	13	Breverleigh Inv.	25½	—2
20	12	Breverleigh Wt.	12	
136	50	British Telecom	135	—1
95½	70	A. Brown	95½	
35½	14½	Burad Holdings	33½	
68	66	Burad Secs (S.A.)	67½	
35½	12	Corton Beach	29½	+9
130	90	Credo Pet.	105	
350	180	C.S.T.	183	—10*
36	10½	D.A.S.A.	10½*	
38	26	Dolamore	33½	
8¾	¾	Edenspring	¾	—½
6	4½	First Venture	5	—½
30½	15½	Future Forecasts	15½	—8
47	31½	Glosair Av.	29	—2½
72	15½	Godwin	15½xr	—1
15½	14½	Godwin New Fully Paid	14½	—1
64	38½	Hard Rock	39	
8	5	Hartley Baird	8	
47½	40	Harvard Secs Gp	40½mb	
25	5	Hemokinetics	5½	
32	20	Herbert Woods	34½	—1½
29½	2½	I-Data	14½	
40	7	Interview	7	
22½	15	Ireland Yard	21½	—1
5	4	Ireland Yd Wt	5	
39	27	Leading Leisure	38½	
22	9	Leisure Inv.	20	
303	97½	Memrom	232½	+40
153	119	Memtek	127	
76	29	Micromite	suspended	
28½	2	N. Atlantic Air	2	
34	18	N.A.E.	27	
192	65	New Dimensions	105	+20
5½	2	Newgate Trust	3¼	
58	46½	Opticmetrics	46½	—3
115	100	Pepe	100½	—1
81	22½	P.670	22½	—7½
18	16	Publishing Hldg	15	
52	15	Rigby Elec.	48½	—1
16	10	Scoops	11½	
61	25	Stone Medical	60	+5
25	21½	Tradcyle Inv.	21½	
235	100	Tudnole Tech.	210	
37½	25	Thew	37½	
30	35	Townhill Secs.	30	+3
40	30	U.S.M.X.	33½	
76	49	V.T.C.	65mb	
50	35	V.T.C. Defd	40mb	
30	25	Waterslides	27	—3
30	14	Westfort Pet.	18	

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High	Low	Share	Mid Price	
42	25½	Bleasdale Opin	36½	
9	5	Burad Hldgs Opts	7½	+2½
16	14	Corton Beach Option.	15	
38	30	Hard Rock Opts	34	
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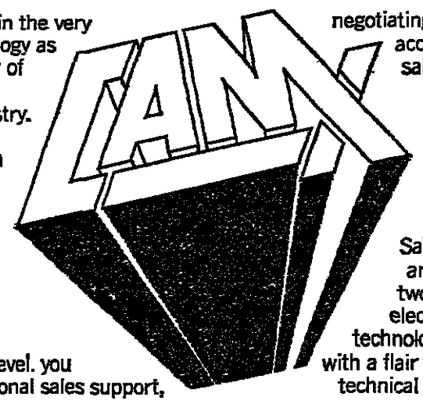

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Salary will be in the region of £20,000-£22,500 and assistance with relocation may be available. There are good career prospects.
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To apply, please send a cv or telephone or write for an application form to James Gunn, **Ref: SS63/0361/DT, PA Sales Selection,** Hyde Park House, 60a Knightsbridge, London SW1X 7LE. Tel: 01-235 6060 ext 289.

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Applicants should be graduates or equivalent, aged 22-27, with around 2-3 years' engineering experience, ideally gained in a manufacturing environment.
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To apply, either ring for an application form or write with full personal, career and salary details to: Paul Davies, Personnel Manager, 3M United Kingdom PLC, 3M House, PO Box 1, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 1JU. Tel: 0344 58209.

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2 Sales and Marketing Managers

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Those interested should write enclosing full personal and career details (including telephone number) to:

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For further information please telephone or write to:–
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With a minimum of 3 years' experience in a fast-moving distribution environment, you will take full responsibility for a staff of about 30 and will control the movement of all the company's products, managing the shipping function and controlling the transport. You will have authority over all costs related to manpower, transport and warehousing and will make recommendations to senior managment on policy, whilst having full managment responsibility for your staff. Ref 1141.

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You will provide a speedy and reliable supply of materials to clients. You will take responsibility for inventory control, stores and must be able to react quickly to client problems and demands. Controlling order processing and accounts is also a key responsibility. With 3 years' experience of spare parts management in either the consumer electronics or electronic component industry, you will be responsible for the managment of a staff of about 30. Ref 1139.

Reporting to the Division General Manager, you are graduates, preferably science based, self-motivated and between 28 and 35 years of age. You are currently in supervisory or management positions and possess excellent communications and analytical skills.

If you meet these requirements and want to join a dynamic fast-moving company then please write, enclosing full CV and quoting the appropriate reference, to Laurence Harris of Cripps, Sears and Associates Limited, Personnel Management Consultants, 88/89 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LH. Telephone: 01-404 5701.

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We are not seeking graduates or candidates with previous experience. Although French is useful outside the teaching situation; it is not essential for this post. Interviews will be held at Fisher School Chester.

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Polaroid (UK) Limited is a subsidiary of Polaroid Corporation, USA, manufacturers of photographic, image recording and optical products. The Export Division of the UK company has responsibility for the sale of the Corporations products in over 50 countries in Europe, the Middle East, Africa and the Indian sub-continent.

The continuous growth of our export business and promotions within the group necessitates two new appointments.

AREA MANAGER

Age 26-34
Excellent salary + car

Responsible for the creation and execution of marketing plans for a group of countries in the Eastern Mediterranean area, you will be required to work closely with national distributors and internal marketing support departments. Regular visits to the markets will be necessary, and there is a possibility that the successful candidate may be required to relocate to one of the countries within the market area.

Ideally, you should be a graduate with a thorough knowledge of international marketing. Experience in a similar position in consumer product distribution would be an advantage, as would a knowledge of French or German.

PRODUCT SUPERVISOR

St Albans based
c.£11,000 + car

Reporting to the Product Manager, you will be responsible for the co-ordination and planning of our Identification Systems Programmes including supporting Area Managers and Distributors, updating the groups on competitive products and maintaining detailed data files. Following a period of training travel within the export group area of responsibility will be necessary, totalling approximately 70-80 days each year.

Aged 23-28, you should be educated to degree level, have previous sales experience, preferably in an international environment and the credibility and interpersonal skills to deal effectively at senior level. A knowledge of a Middle Eastern language would be a particular asset.

Both positions carry an attractive salary, excellent fringe benefits, including a company car and everything else you'd expect from a major international company. Your first step should be to send your CV to **Maureen Rees, Personnel Manager, at Polaroid (UK) Ltd., Ashley Road, St. Albans, Herts. AL1 5PR.** Alternatively telephone (07072) 78202 for an application form.

Polaroid

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PLANNING AND BUDGETS ACCOUNTANT

£ Negotiable

We are seeking a qualified Accountant to develop a co-ordinated planning process and prepare detailed budgets and forecasts. Candidates will need to demonstrate solid experience in corporate planning within a marketing/manufacturing environment, backed by well developed analytical skills. Experience of the use of microcomputers in financial modelling is essential. The salary will reflect the importance of this position and it is thought that candidates currently earning less than £12,500 will not have the depth of experience required for the post.

FINANCIAL ANALYST

£12,000-£14,000

This key post within the DRI Holding Company involves the analysis and co-ordination of the Group Companies' financial activities, including consolidation of monthly management accounts, annual statutory accounts, budgets and cash forecasts. The challenge calls for a recently qualified ACA with strong analytical skills, high motivation and considerable initiative. Some experience with microcomputers will be an advantage.

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c. £13,000

We are seeking a qualified Accountant (ideally ACMA) to work closely with our Marketing Division in controlling equipment revenues, margins and inventories. Key elements include familiarity with computerised reporting systems and the ability to produce reports, forecasts and financial analyses. The post requires considerable determination, initiative and drive; previous experience in a marketing environment is desirable although not essential.

ASSISTANT TREASURER

c. £11,000

We are also seeking a young Accountant to join our Finance Department and take immediate responsibility for a number of functions including cash management (UK and overseas), monthly cash flow statements/forecasts as well as developing and improving internal control systems.

All positions carry competitive, negotiable, salaries and a full range of large company benefits, including relocation assistance where appropriate.

For more details please contact either Brian Buffham, Financial Controller, or Ian Muir, Principal Personnel Officer on Staines (0784) 51389.

To apply, please send a full cv to Ian Muir, Principal Personnel Officer, Newbury Data Recording Limited, Hawthorne Road, Staines, Middlesex.

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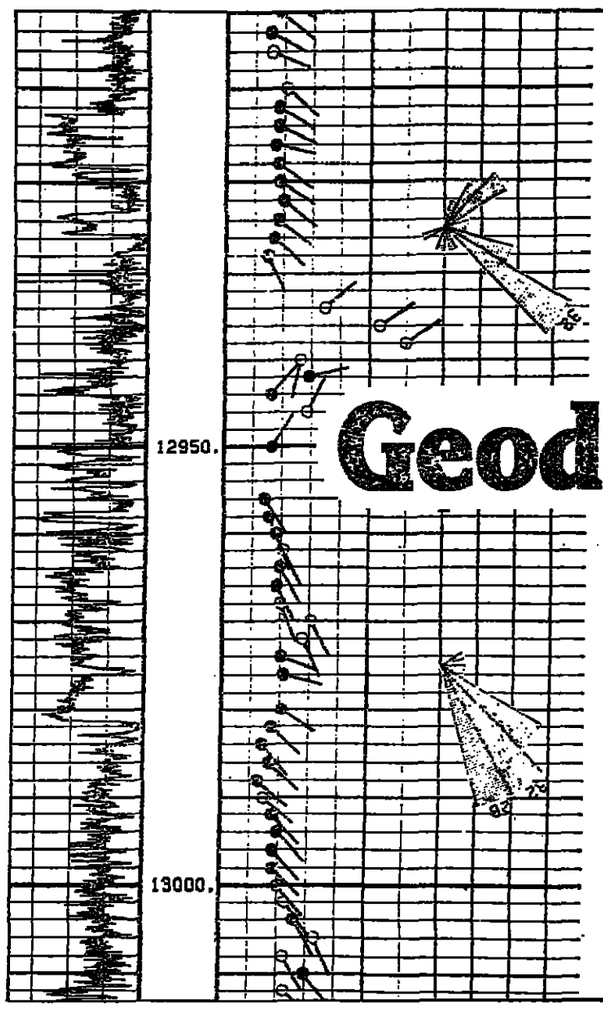

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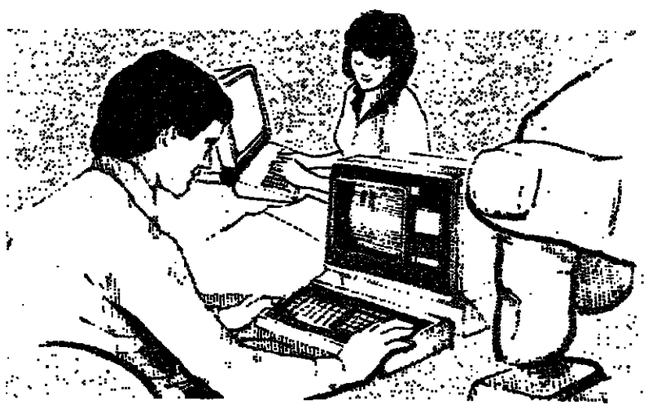

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Steel industry • around £12,000 plus car

This is an excellent "first time" sales management opportunity with career development potential.

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The UK Sales Manager will personally handle a number of the bigger accounts and will manage a small field sales team and the sales office. Major customer relations and profitable new business development are key accountabilities.

Candidates, male or female, age probably 28-40 and with a sound technical appreciation, must have a record of demonstrable success in sales and/or sales management in the steel industry.

Salary negotiable around £12,000 plus bonus, car, pension, relocation help.

Please send full career details (in confidence), quoting reference 515 and listing separately companies with whom they may not be discussed, to Bull, Holmes (Management) Limited, 20 Albert Square, Manchester M2 5PE.

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THE JOB
The Company is presently embarking on an expansion programme involving all aspects of the Electrical Industry, and requires someone to monitor and control this development.

THE PERSON
Applicants who will be aged around 35, must possess a recognised electrical engineering qualification, be a dynamic decision maker with a proven sales record in the electrical field.

THE BENEFITS
A negotiable salary will include a 33% gratuity (currently tax free) at the end of a 2½ year contract. Housing, Air Passages, Baggage Allowance, Children's Education Allowance, use of Company Vehicle and other useful benefits.

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c.£15,000 + bonus + 2 litre car

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You'll be aged over 30, well-educated and well-read. A publications background is less important than your substantial record of achievement with companies renowned for their high standards of sales management.

If you feel like expanding your c.v. to describe your reading tastes, so much the better. Send it to: John Faith, Austin Knight Selection, 20 Soho Square, London W1A 1DS, quoting reference 64/JF/85 or telephone 01-437 9261 for a Personal History Form.

Austin Knight Selection — LONDON

Area Sales Manager

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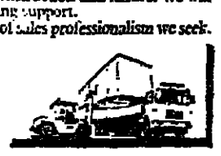
The rewards for the right man or woman will match the level of sales professionalism we seek. In addition to excellent earnings (basic plus commission), there will be a company car together with the normal range of benefits associated with a large employer.

To find out more about this challenging position ring or write today to Mr. K. Wade, Personnel Services Manager, Spacemaker Division, Portasilo Limited, New Lane, Huntington, York YO3 9PR. Tel: York (0904) 21951 ext. 202.



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Business Promotion

A number of professionals are required to sell the capabilities of this Company's project team which undertakes major international contracts for specifiers worldwide.

This Company is in the fire protection business providing and installing electrical and mechanical systems and services to industry and commerce.

Reporting to the Head of International Projects, duties will include initial contacts with new customers, monitoring of pre-bid qualifying and quoting, and general liaison with the client during progress of contracts.

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Write or telephone for details and an application form to: Randall Hayes, Personnel Manager, Dexion Limited, Corringham Road Industrial Estate, Gainsborough, Lincs. Telephone: Gainsborough (0427) 3881.

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Persons sought will have prior selling experience in technical lighting products, and for the sales manager's role, management experience is essential.

Technical qualifications in illumination engineering are preferred but not essential — more important is the ability to sell lighting to wholesalers, industry and government bodies.

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Engineering Manager

to set the standards in technical administration
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As a major high technology electronics development and manufacturing company, our client is involved in a wide range of challenging projects at its establishment situated in a pleasant area in Surrey.

The Company is looking for a graduate level electronics or electrical Engineer (male or female) who can combine technical competence with administrative skill. Someone who, reporting to the Divisional Manager, can ensure that overall engineering standards are maintained at the highest possible level throughout the Division particularly as regards engineering practices and including such areas as safety, quality, standards and space. Financial control of work programmes and staff recruitment and training will all be involved.

It's a highly responsible role calling for well developed engineering management skills, supervisory ability, a capacity for administration and organisation and the personality, presence and authority necessary to liaise successfully with staff at all levels. Preferred age is 30+.

Salary will be up to £18,000 p.a. plus an attractive benefits package including relocation assistance.

Send full details of experience to Confidential Reply Service, Ref: AEE 578, Austin Knight Advertising UK Limited, 66a High Street, Egham, Surrey TW20 9EY.

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Austin Knight Advertising — EGHAM

Production Planning Manager

Birmingham

Triplex Aircraft and Special Products Division, a member of the Pilkington Group, is a world leader in high technology transparencies for the aerospace and associated industries.

As a result of reorganisation to cater for an expected growth in this high technology sector, we are seeking a skilled Production Planning Manager for our factory at Kings Norton.

In addition to overall responsibility for production control, planning materials requirements and carrying out the purchasing of raw materials and components to meet the needs of production, you will be involved in the continued development of our extensive computerised planning system.

This is an important role which calls for a man or woman aged around 30-45 educated to degree level or equivalent with considerable production planning experience gained in a high technology, small batch, high added value environment ideally aerospace – related; a working knowledge of computerised planning systems and first class management skills are essential.

We offer a highly attractive salary together with a wide range of large-group benefits. Opportunities for career progression are excellent. Relocation expenses will be paid where appropriate.

Please write with full career history and stating current salary to Peter Molineux, Personnel Manager, Triplex Safety Glass Co. Ltd., Eckersall Road, Kings Norton, Birmingham B38 8SR. Telephone: 021-458 2031.

Triplex

Lead Process Engineer

London

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This is a position with considerable potential, calling for previous supervisory experience and an ability to work to deadlines.

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Please write with cv or telephone for an application form to: Mrs. Stella Littlewood, John Brown Engineers & Constructors Limited, John Brown House, 20 Eastbourne Terrace, London W2 6LE. Telephone: 01-262 8080 ext. 2759.

Engineering & Construction — JOHN BROWN

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Responsible for the forecast and analysis of prices and purchase research.

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To take an integral project responsibility on overseas contracts and ensure the successful negotiation of all relevant contracts. Experience in quantity surveying is preferred.

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Candidates (male or female) should be qualified to HNC/degree level in Electrical/Mechanical Engineering.

Please write with full personal and career details (indicating relevant position and salary expectations) to Confidential Reply Service, Ref: APS 616, Austin Knight Advertising UK Limited, Tricorn House, 51-53 Hagley Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B16 8TP.

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Austin Knight Advertising — BIRMINGHAM

OEM Sales Engineer

c.£11,000 + 2 litre car — *Hydraulic Components* — *NW & Midlands*

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Determined to increase substantially both our volume of sales and market share, we now wish to appoint an additional Sales Engineer, male or female, to be responsible to the UK OEM Sales Manager for achieving sales objectives in an area including the North of England and the Midlands.

It's a role demanding a high level of self motivation and a proven record of success in selling engineering products in the highly competitive OEM marketplace. Preferred age is 25-35.

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Gates

General Manager Property Services

c.£25,000 pa + car

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You must have extensive experience at senior level in property management including control of minor capital works and planning plus maintenance in a 24 hour operational environment. You should hold relevant professional and management qualifications.

For an application form please write or telephone to: Personnel Recruitment, British Caledonian Airways Limited, Caledonian House, Betts Way, Crawley, Sussex RH10 2XA. Telephone: Crawley (0293) 27830 Extns. 3105/3947 (Monday to Friday – 0900-1700 hours).

Closing date for completed applications: 29th March 1985.

British Caledonian

Technical Sales Manager

c.£15,500 + car — *London*

Our Client is the leading European supplier of a range of specialist materials for equally specialist mechanical applications and marketed throughout the world.

The Divisional General Manager responsible for manufacture and sales within Europe of finished precision components to a wide variety of industries is building a management team whose commercial and technical ability is already making an impact on the Division's profitability. A key role within that team is that of Sales Manager. The right man or woman will contribute to an already satisfactory business performance by providing effective leadership and motivation for a group of highly experienced sales engineers.

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Please send a detailed C.V. quoting Ref: 62/JF/85 to John Faith, Austin Knight Selection, London W1A 1DS or ring 01-437 9261 for a Personal History Form.

Austin Knight Selection — LONDON

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We wish to appoint an Assistant Packaging Manager who will be responsible to the Packaging Manager for the effective use of labour and machinery to meet production and quality targets. Types of packaging include bottles, tubes, blister packs, sachets and foil strips. Products are in tablet, powder and liquid forms together with a significant clean room operation for sterile devices.

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Apply to C. M. Whitney, Personnel Director, Searle Pharmaceuticals, Wharlton Road, Morpeth, Northumberland. Telephone: Morpeth 514311.

SEARLE

Senior Electrical Engineer

Engineering Consultants — *Home Counties*

We are a long established firm of Consulting Engineers of international standing with projects in the U.K. and abroad.

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Please send your curriculum vitae, including current salary details, to: Confidential Reply Service, Ref: ABS 9181, Austin Knight Advertising Limited, London W1A 1DS.

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Austin Knight Advertising — LONDON

Distribution Planning in the Confectionery Business

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We offer an attractive salary and first class employment package including relocation assistance to this particularly attractive area of Derbyshire.

Please telephone or write for an application form to Mr. J. G. Culverhouse, Executive Manager – Personnel, J. W. Thorntons Limited, Derwent Street, Derbyshire DE5 1WP. Telephone: 077-382 4181.

Thorntons

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To realise fully the available market growth potential and to enhance profitability requires better organisation and management of manufacturing – hence this new appointment, reporting to the MD, controlling production, works engineering, toolroom and development functions. It is a role with full accountability and success will earn a Board appointment within a year.

Candidates, male or female, probably middle 30s to early 40s and with qualifications at or near to degree level, must have proved their ability to plan and run a profitable plastics manufacturing operation (ideally but not necessarily injection moulding), to organise and motivate people and to maximise productivity and efficiency.

Initial remuneration negotiable up to £17,500 plus car and relocation assistance if needed.

Please write – in confidence – with full career details to D. A. Ravenscroft at Bull, Holmes (Management) Limited, 20 Albert Square, Manchester M2 5PE.

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Electrical Design

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Applicants should have an acceptable degree in Electrical Engineering and be of Chartered Engineer status. Preference will be given to candidates who have a warship design background but sound experience in industrial design and/or production will be considered. Computer Science knowledge or experience is desirable.

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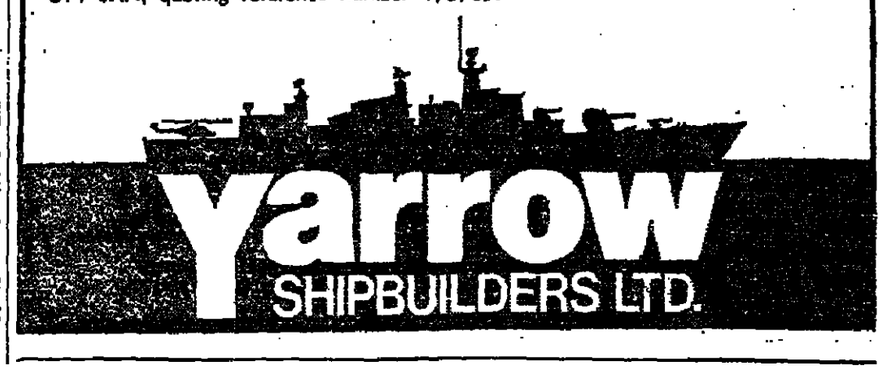
The areas in which special expertise is needed are

(a) noise vibration work including calculations and measurements.
(b) transmission and/or auxiliary systems related with machinery arrangements.

Applicants must possess either a degree in Marine or Mechanical Engineering or a Higher National Certificate in the same fields, have a number of years' design experience and, in most cases, served an appropriate apprenticeship.

Applications, from men and women, giving essential personal and career particulars will be welcomed by:

The Personnel Administrator, Yarrow Shipbuilders Limited, South Street, Glasgow G14 0XN, quoting reference number T/3/85.



Sales Director

Greater Manchester C£15,000+Profit Share+Car

Our client is a progressive and successful major subsidiary of a long established British Engineering Group. It is a leading quality supplier to the international commercial vehicle and agricultural machinery markets and is expanding rapidly.

In an environment where the emphasis is on change an exciting challenge exists for a dynamic Sales Manager who can make a significant contribution to the company's diversification and development strategy. The management style is open, hands on and committed to continuous growth.

Our ideal candidate must be 33-38, have sound commercial and engineering knowledge, allied to 'sharp end' skills gained selling to O.E.M.'s and end users in related international markets. The requirement is for a self starter who can lead from the front and who has the capacity to assume General Management responsibility within a short time scale.

This is an opportunity with real prospects and conditions are those associated with a progressive company and include a service contract. Remuneration includes an attractive profit share scheme.

Please send comprehensive curriculum vitae or telephone for an application form quoting reference number DP/594 to:

Bryan Greenwood, THE JOHN DALTON PARTNERSHIP LIMITED, 4 Post Office Avenue, SOUTHPORT PR9 0US. Tel: Southport (0704) 38776

(Applications are open to both male and female candidates)

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Management Selection & Recruitment Consultants

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LONDON

The Wedgwood Group are currently seeking professional sales personnel to be based in London.

Ideally aged 25-35, you will be responsible for the sales and promotion of a market leader within our group selling into and developing new retail outlets throughout the South East.

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Both positions are genuine career opportunities and rewards will include a company car and all those benefits expected of a successful group of companies.

Please write with full career details to: Miss Jan Tapp, Josiah Wedgwood & Sons Ltd., 32-34 Wigmore St., London W.1.

The Wedgwood Group

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*A further position exists for a younger person with degree and relevant experience, where additional training will be given.
D. Teale, Ref: 30006/DT. 061-832 3500,
St. John's Court, 78 Gartside Street, MANCHESTER, M3 3EL.

Sales Executive

Shopfitting Services
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This autonomous division of a major international company requires an outstanding Sales Executive to provide a complete shopfitting service to retail outlets, ranging from major chains to sole traders. Reporting to the General Manager and selling direct to end users, architects and specifiers, you'll be responsible for establishing our client's business in the Southern half of England with a view to building up a much larger selling operation for the future. Aged 27+, you should have a proven track record in either shopfitting or a similar field and be looking to make your mark in a small, dynamic company. Alternatively, you could be involved in shopfitting design and now looking to break into sales. Prospects for management in the medium term are excellent. The remuneration package includes a good basic salary and bonus; other benefits are as expected of a major company. The position will be home based.
P.A. Adderley, Ref: 11561/DT. 0532-448661,
7 Lisbon Square, LEEDS, LS1 4LZ.

Production Manager

Structural Foam/Plastic Moulding
North Midlands, c.£15,000 + bonus + car

Our client is a progressive division of a successful International group specialising in the manufacture of a wide range of structural foam components for high-technology manufacturers. Reporting to the General Manager, you'll be responsible for the complete control of customer specified mid-to-large range batch production which involves specialised tools, high value capital plant and extensive finishing processes. The company works a 24 hours shift system. You should be a good communicator and have the ability to work to tight deadlines and respond positively to customer requirements. The client produces for major International Groups whose standards are high. Aged 30-40, and qualified to a minimum of HND level, you will have developed your career in production within large companies having been trained through the various aspects of production engineering, control and shop floor management. The client is seeking a high calibre individual with the potential to grow in this rapidly expanding company. Benefits are first class and include pension, life assurance, BUPA and relocation assistance.
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7 Lisbon Square, LEEDS, LS1 4LZ.

Production Planning & Control

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G.T. Walker, Ref: 42582/DT. 0632-327455,
4 Mosley Street, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, NE1 1DE.

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You will probably be over 35 years of age with at least five years managerial experience of batch production in the electronics industry and be conversant in the use of computerised stock control systems. Additionally you will possess relevant academic qualifications and membership of the Institute of Purchasing and Supply would be desirable.

In addition to an attractive salary, an excellent benefits package is offered, together with generous relocation assistance where appropriate.

Please write, giving details of experience and qualifications, to:–

Mrs. P. A. Haxby,
Personnel Manager,
W & G Instruments Limited,
Burrington Way,
Plymouth PL5 3LZ.

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Salary within the range £7485-£10,165 depending on qualifications and experience. Promotion prospects.

RELOCATION EXPENSES UP TO £5000 MAY BE AVAILABLE.

For further details and an application form (to be returned by 2 April 1985) write to Civil Service Commission, Alencon Link, Basingstoke, Hants, RG21 1JB, or telephone Basingstoke (0256) 468551 (answering service operates outside office hours).
Please quote ref: F/6461.

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Interested? Then in the first instance write with details of qualifications and experience to

The Personnel Manager, Racal Defence Systems, Richmond Court, 309 Fleet Road, Fleet, Hants, GU13 8BU.

Alternatively, please telephone (reverse charges) our Technical Director on March 14th or 15th on 01-391 2231 between 5.00 pm and 8.30 pm.

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All offices
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Engineers with a degree or chartered status and a minimum of 10 years' experience gained in design and construction of onshore or offshore oil/gas production projects. A sound knowledge of electrical rotating machinery, switchgear, protection systems and installation in hazardous areas is required. (ref. EW 13)

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Engineers with a degree or equivalent qualification and at least 7 years' experience of cost and scheduling associated with petrochemical and oil and gas design and construction projects. (ref. EW 15)

The above positions offer both the opportunity to work on a variety of challenging projects and considerable career advancement. The salaries fully reflect the importance of these posts and will be accompanied by a comprehensive benefits package. Generous relocation assistance can be provided.

Please write with full career details, quoting the appropriate reference number, location preference and current salary to: Mr. S. P. James, Personnel Manager, Ewbank Preece Process & Industrial Engineering Ltd., Prudential House, North Street, Brighton, Sussex BN1 1RW. Tel: Brighton (0273) 29731.

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Telephone: 01-502-1851.

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Plumbs

Production Operations Controller

to £15,000 plus car — Preston

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The company wishes to appoint an ambitious, creative, production engineer whose initial brief will be to better utilise the resources of staff, materials and services by improving overall production planning and control utilising in-house computer facilities.
Candidates must be of graduate calibre and have relevant experience, preferably gained in a fast moving business employing computerised systems for sales order processing integrated to planning stock control and material requirements.
An attractive remuneration package is offered which includes necessary relocation expenses and it is intended that a successful Production Operations Controller be promoted to Production Manager within two years.

Please send details of your career with a contact telephone number quoting reference 5570 to: Brian Jones, Personnel Selection Division, Thornton Baker Associates Limited, Brazennose House, Brazennose Street, Manchester M2 5AX. *Interviews will be held throughout the U.K.*

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For a confidential application form, male or female candidates should ring or write quoting reference number 734/DT. Telephone (24 hours) 0625 533361.

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Male or female, you must be a positive, strong minded person with highly developed negotiating and communication skills. We expect you to be numerate and possess a detailed knowledge of the food and beverage market. Aged 25-35 you must also demonstrate commercial acumen and experience in a fast moving environment.
Experience of computer information systems would be an advantage.
Rewards are excellent, including a salary of c. £12,000 p.a. and a range of benefits such as BUPA, purchase discount scheme, pension plan and four weeks paid holiday.
Opportunities for advancement as the company continues to expand are also good.
If you have the experience and personality we are looking for, write in the first instance with full cv. to:
G. Wych, (Ref. 107), Maxwell Clarke Limited,
Queens Court, 24 Queens Street, Manchester M2 5HX.

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ENGLAND TOUR NOT IN DANGER, SAY WEST INDIES

By TONY COZIER in Bridgetown, Barbados

ENGLAND'S scheduled tour of the West Indies in early 1986 is "definitely on," the secretary of the West Indies Board of Control, Stephen Camacho, emphasised in Kingston, Jamaica, yesterday.

"We have been having discussions with the Test and County Cricket Board about the scheduling of matches and the actual dates, but there is no question that the tour is definitely on," said Mr Camacho, a former West Indies Test opening batsman.

Mr Camacho said the Board representatives had met with individual Caribbean governments and were convinced that the tour *could* proceed without political intervention.

He said the Board were still awaiting some indication from one government on their position. He would not identify the government concerned although it is fair to assume that he was referring to Guyana who have been consistently strong in their attitude towards sportsmen who have competed in South Africa.

If Guyana maintain their stand and refuse to allow England players with South African connections to play there, the tour would proceed excluding the *traditional* Guyana leg.

Banned players

There has been speculation that the tour would be called off or considerably reduced if England select any players banned for participating in an unsanctioned tour of South Africa in 1982. Those players' three-year exclusion from England selection expires next month.

England's last tour of the West Indies in 1981 was disrupted when the Guyana government refused admittance to the Surrey bowler, Robin Jackman, because of his connections in South Africa.

The England team withdrew, the second Test, scheduled for *Georgetown, was cancelled* and it required the sanction of the other West Indies governments for the remainder of the tour to continue.

Fears that the 1986 tour would have to be cancelled increased when the tour by the England youth teams earlier in the year was rearranged to exclude Guyana, Trinidad and Antigua.

Four of the England squad had played in South Africa in a *private capacity but Mr Camacho* insisted yesterday that this was not the reason for the *adjustment.*

Mr Camacho said the Board would table the 1986 tour dates at their regular meeting in May. There would be no Test in Guyana.

He continued, "The West Indies Board is *committed to* the International Cricket Conference agreement which stipulates that members should not interfere in the selection of each other's teams.

The West Indies Board had always upheld the Gleneagles Agreement, the Commonwealth accord concerning sporting contact with *South Africa.*

MOVE TO END BOYCOTT ROW

Yorkshire's special meeting of members called for Harrogate on *March 30 to discuss rule changes* has been deferred while the general committee considers, in Secretary Joe Lister's words, "*certain* proposals and suggestions" next Tuesday.

"These proposals," added Mr Lister, "have been made to and by the President.

The Cricket Devotees, led by Brian Close, quickly welcomed the initiative, though the statement by its spokesman, Duval Hall, *warned*, "We are keen to co-operate in any proposals to establish the principles that would have been decided by the special general meeting, including the dual role."

The meeting was to have voted on a controversial motion, aimed by the group at Geoffrey Boycott, which would have prevented a player serving in the dual role of a committee man. Lord Moumgarret now has to *persuade the general committee*, with its majority of Boycott supporters, to agree a formula on *rule changes* that would satisfy the Devotees. **Derek Hodgson**

OTHER MATCHES AT LORD'S

May 1—MCC v MCC Young Cricketers (1 day)
July 6—Eton v Harrow (1 day)
July 24—MCC Schools v NAYC (2 days)
July 26—NCA Young Cricketers v Combined Services (1 day)
Aug 28—MCC v Ireland (2 days)
Aug 31—Williams Younger Cup Final (1 day)
Sept 1—Samuel Whitbread Village Championship Final (1 day)

Principal Cricket Fixtures for the 1985 Season

APRIL

* Indicates Sunday play

20—Cambridge: Cambridge University v Essex
Oxford: Oxford University v Somerset
24—Cambridge: Cambridge University v Northamptonshire
Oxford: Oxford University v Glamorgan
Lord's: MCC v Essex (Champion county)
27—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Derby: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire
*Chelmsford: Essex v Warwickshire
*Southampton: Hampshire v Kent
*Old Trafford: Lancashire v Sussex
Leicester: Leicestershire v Yorkshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Worcestershire
*Taunton: Somerset v Nottinghamshire
*The Oval: Surrey v Glamorgan
OTHER MATCH
Cambridge: Cambridge University v Gloucestershire

MAY

1—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Lancashire
Canterbury: Kent v Surrey
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Essex
Taunton: Somerset v Glamorgan
OTHER MATCHES
Cambridge: Cambridge University v Middlesex
Oxford: Oxford University v Leicester
4—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Hampshire
Headingley: Yorkshire v Middlesex
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP (1 day)
Chelmsford: Essex v Sussex
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Kent
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Nottinghamshire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Leicestershire
Oval: Surrey v Combined Universities
Worcester: Worcestershire v Warwickshire
Aberdeen (Mannofield): Scotland v Zimbabwe
Shrewsbury: Minor Counties v Somerset
5—OTHER MATCH
Arundel: Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk XI v Australians (1 day)
6—TOUR MATCH
Taunton: Somerset v Australians
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Leicester: Leicestershire v Derbyshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Kent
Oval: Surrey v Lancashire
Edinburgh, Warwickshire v Glamorgan
Worcester: Worcestershire v Gloucestershire
OTHER MATCHES
Cambridge: Cambridge University v Sussex
Oxford: Oxford University v Hampshire
11—TOUR MATCH
*Worcester: Worcestershire v Australians
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
Swansea: Glamorgan v Minor Counties
Canterbury: Kent v Hampshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Yorkshire
Hove: Sussex v Surrey
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Gloucestershire
Taunton: Somerset v Middlesex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Lancashire
Cambridge: Combined Universities v Scotland
14—TOUR MATCH
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Australians (1 day)
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
Derby: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Scotland
Southampton: Hampshire v Glamorgan
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Yorkshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Worcestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Kent
Hove: Sussex v Middlesex
16—TOUR MATCH
Oval: Surrey v Australians (1 day)
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
Southampton: Hampshire v Somerset
Canterbury: Kent v Minor Counties
Lord's: Middlesex v Essex
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Scotland
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Lancashire
Headingley: Yorkshire v Warwickshire
Oxford: Combined Universities v Sussex
18—OTHER MATCH
Hove: Sussex v Australians (4 days)
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Gloucestershire
Chelmsford: Essex v Combined Universities
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan
Taunton: Somerset v Glamorgan
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Leicestershire
Bradford: Yorkshire v Worcestershire
Reading: Minor Counties v Hampshire
22—TOUR MATCH
Lord's: MCC v Australians
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Lancashire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Middlesex
Leicester: Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire
Southampton: Northamptonshire v Kent
Taunton: Somerset v Hampshire
Hove: Sussex v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Surrey
Middlesbrough: Yorkshire v Hampshire
OTHER MATCH
Oxford: Oxford University v Lancashire
3—TEXACO TROPHY
LORD'S: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (1 day)
5—TOUR MATCH
Headingley: Yorkshire v Australians (3 days)
6—TOUR MATCH
*Derby: Derbyshire v Australians (3 days)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Somerset
Southampton: Hampshire v Lancashire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Northamptonshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Essex
Oval: Surrey v Glamorgan
*Worcester: Worcestershire v Warwickshire
OTHER MATCHES
Cambridge: Cambridge University v Lancashire
Oxford: Oxford University v Hampshire
11—TOUR MATCH
*Worcester: Worcestershire v Australians
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
Swansea: Glamorgan v Minor Counties
Canterbury: Kent v Hampshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Yorkshire
Hove: Sussex v Surrey
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Gloucestershire
Taunton: Somerset v Middlesex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Lancashire
Cambridge: Combined Universities v Middlesex
Glasgow (Titwood): Scotland v Sri Lanka
12—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Derby: Derbyshire v Sussex
Hull: Essex v Northamptonshire
Bournemouth: Hampshire v Middlesex
Tonbridge Wells: Kent v Gloucestershire
Hinckley: Leicestershire v Warwickshire
Bath: Somerset v Lancashire
Oval: Surrey v Nottinghamshire
OTHER MATCHES
Cambridge: Cambridge University v Worcestershire
Oxford: Oxford University v Yorkshire
13—FIRST CORNHILL TEST
Headingley: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (5 days)
15—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Swansea: Glamorgan v Essex
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Derbyshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Leicestershire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Gloucestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Kent
Hove: Sussex v Hampshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Surrey
OTHER MATCHES
Oxford: Oxford University v Warwickshire
Cambridge: Cambridge University v MCC
TOUR MATCH
Bath: Somerset v Zimbabwe (1 day)
19—BENSON AND HEDGES CUP—Semi-finals
TOUR MATCH
First-class match not in B & H semi-finals v Zimbabwe
OTHER MATCH
Harrogate: Tilcon Trophy (3 days, 1 day matches)
20—TOUR MATCH
Cambridge: Combined Universities v Australians (1 day)
22—TOUR MATCHES
*Southampton: Hampshire v Australians (4 days)
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Pakistan
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Sussex
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Kent
Leicester: Leicestershire v Glamorgan
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Essex
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Middlesex
Oval: Surrey v Somerset
*Harrogate: Yorkshire v Worcestershire
OTHER MATCH
Oxford: Oxford University v MCC

JUNE

1—TEXACO TROPHY
Edgbaston: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (1 day)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Derby: Derbyshire v Gloucestershire
Chelmsford: Essex v Leicestershire
Canterbury: Kent v Worcestershire
Taunton: Somerset v Warwickshire
Horsham: Sussex v Surrey
Middlesbrough: Yorkshire v Hampshire
OTHER MATCH
Oxford: Oxford University v Lancashire
3—TEXACO TROPHY
LORD'S: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (1 day)
5—TOUR MATCH
Headingley: Yorkshire v Australians (3 days, 1 day matches)
8—TOUR MATCH
Cambridge: Combined Universities v Australians (1 day)
22—TOUR MATCHES
*Southampton: Hampshire v Australians (4 days)
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Pakistan
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Sussex
Chelmsford: Essex v Combined Universities
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan
Taunton: Somerset v Glamorgan
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Leicestershire
Bradford: Yorkshire v Worcestershire
Reading: Minor Counties v Hampshire
22—TOUR MATCH
Lord's: MCC v Australians
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Lancashire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Middlesex
Leicester: Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire
Southampton: Northamptonshire v Kent
Taunton: Somerset v Hampshire
Hove: Sussex v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Surrey
Middlesbrough: Yorkshire v Hampshire
OTHER MATCH
Oxford: Oxford University v Lancashire
3—TEXACO TROPHY
LORD'S: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (1 day)
5—TOUR MATCH
Headingley: Yorkshire v Australians (4 days)
BENSON AND HEDGES CUP
Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Gloucestershire
Chelmsford: Essex v Combined Universities
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan
Taunton: Somerset v Warwickshire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Leicestershire
Bradford: Yorkshire v Worcestershire
Reading: Minor Counties v Hampshire
26—TOUR MATCH
Cambridge: Scotland v Zimbabwe
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Derby: Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire
Chelmsford: Essex v Kent
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Somerset
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Hampshire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Warwickshire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Sussex
Worcester: Worcestershire v Middlesex
Bradford: Yorkshire v Leicestershire
OTHER MATCH
Brecon (Camp Lodge): Wales v Cambridge University (2 days)
27—SLUGGS CORNHILL TEST
Lord's: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (5 days)
28—TOUR MATCH
*Cleethorpes: Minor Counties v Zimbabwe
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Derby: Derbyshire v Glamorgan
Southampton: Hampshire v Essex
Leicester: Leicestershire v Surrey
*Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Kent
Gloucestershire
Hove: Sussex v Lancashire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Northamptonshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Yorkshire
OTHER MATCH
Taunton: Somerset v Cambridge University

JULY

3—NATWEST TROPHY — FIRST ROUND (1 day)
Luton (Wardown Park): Bedfordshire v Gloucestershire
Birkenhead (Oxton): Cheshire v Yorkshire
Derby: Derbyshire v Durham
Chelmsford: Essex v Oxfordshire
Southampton: Hampshire v Wiltshire
Hitchin: Hertfordshire v Worcestershire
Canterbury: Kent v Surrey
Lakenham: Middlesex v Cumberland
Norwich: Norfolk v Leicestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Staffordshire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Devon
6—UNIVERSITY MATCH
Lord's: Oxford v Cambridge
6—TOUR MATCH
*Chelmsford: Essex v Australians (4 days)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Swansea: Glamorgan v Nottinghamshire
Gloucester: Gloucestershire v Yorkshire
Liverpool: Lancashire v Hampshire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Middlesex
Taunton: Somerset v Leicestershire
Oval: Surrey v Kent
Hove: Sussex v Warwickshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Derbyshire
10—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Southend: Essex v Somerset
Swansea: Glamorgan v Leicestershire
Gloucester: Gloucestershire v Worcestershire
Portsmouth: Hampshire v Sussex
Maidstone: Kent v Yorkshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Nottinghamshire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Derbyshire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Lancashire
11—THIRD CORNHILL TEST
Trent Bridge: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (5 days)
TOUR MATCH
League Cricket Conference v Zimbabwe (1 day: venue to be arranged)
12—TOUR MATCH
Hove: Sussex v Zimbabwe (1 day)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Leicestershire
Southend: Essex v Gloucestershire
Portsmouth: Hampshire v Worcestershire
Maidstone: Kent v Northamptonshire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Glamorgan
Lord's: Middlesex v Somerset
Nuneaton: Warwickshire v Nottinghamshire
Sheffield: Yorkshire v Surrey
14—TOUR MATCH
Arundel: Lavinia, Duchess of Norfolk XI v Zimbabwe (1 day)
17—TOUR MATCH
Canterbury or Oval: Kent or Surrey v Sri Lanka
NATWEST TROPHY 2nd ROUND
Bedford or Bristol: Bedfordshire or Gloucestershire v Shropshire or Northamptonshire
Birkenhead or Headingley: Cheshire or Yorkshire v Somerset v Buckinghamshire
Chelmsford or Oxford (Morris Motors): Essex or Oxfordshire v Middlesex or Cumberland
Southampton or Reading: Hampshire or Berkshire v Norfolk or Leicestershire
Canterbury or Oval: Kent or Surrey v Derbyshire or Durham
Trent Bridge or Stone: Nottinghamshire or Staffordshire v Warwickshire or Devon
Glasgow (Titwood) or Cardiff: Scotland or Glamorgan v Sussex or Ireland
Scilly: venue or Old Trafford: Sussex or Lancashire v Hertfordshire or Worcestershire
18—TOUR MATCH
Jesmond: Minor Counties v Australians (1 day)
20—BENSON AND HEDGES CUP FINAL: Lord's
TOUR MATCHES
*Scilly: venue to be arranged: Australia v Glamorgan (in B & H cup-final)
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Zimbabwe (2 days: last day 21 July)
Gloucestershire v B & H Finals
24—TOUR MATCH
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Australians
Leicester: Leicestershire v Zimbabwe
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Warwickshire
Hove: Sussex v Kent
Southport: Lancashire v Surrey
Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Sussex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Somerset
Headingley: Yorkshire v Hampshire
Hereford: Worcestershire v Glamorgan
27—TOUR MATCH
*Northampton: Northamptonshire v Australians (4 days)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Glamorgan
Leicester: Leicestershire v Kent
Lakenham: Middlesex v Lancashire
Worksop: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire
Taunton: Somerset v Essex
Guildford: Surrey v Hampshire
Eastbourne: Sussex v Worcestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Derbyshire
31—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Leicester: Leicestershire v Lancashire
Derby: Derbyshire v Middlesex
Lord's: Middlesex v Gloucestershire
Oval: Surrey v Warwickshire
Bradford: Yorkshire v Derbyshire

AUGUST

1—FOURTH CORNHILL TEST
Old Trafford: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (5 days)
3—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Edgbaston: Glamorgan v Kent
Glasgow (Hyndland): Scotland v MCC
10—TOUR MATCH
*Lord's: Middlesex v Australians (3 days)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Colchester: Essex v Derbyshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Warwickshire
Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire
Southampton: Hampshire v Surrey
Canterbury: Kent v Sussex
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Worcestershire
Weston-super-Mare: Somerset v Northamptonshire
Headingley: Yorkshire v Lancashire
17—OTHER MATCHES
Warwickshire: Under-25 competition semi-finals (1 day) or Arundel
18—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE
CH'SHIP
Buxton: Derbyshire v Worcestershire
Colchester: Essex v Sussex
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Hampshire
Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire
Canterbury: Kent v Warwickshire
Lytham: Lancashire v Northamptonshire
Weston-super-Mare: Somerset v Middlesex
Oval: Surrey v Yorkshire
19—FIFTH CORNHILL TEST
Edgbaston: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (5 days)
17—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Warwickshire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Nottinghamshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Hampshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Wellingborough: Northamptonshire v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Derbyshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Essex
Scarborough: Yorkshire v Kent
18—OTHER MATCHES
Warwickshire: Under-25 Competition Semi-finals (if not Aug 11)
21—NATWEST TROPHY—Semi-finals
OTHER MATCH
Glasgow (Titwood): Scotland v MCC
24—TOUR MATCH
*Canterbury: Kent v Australians (4 days)
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Chelmsford: Essex v Surrey
Swansea: Glamorgan v Yorkshire
Bournemouth: Hampshire v Gloucestershire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Somerset
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Leicestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Derbyshire
Hove: Sussex v Middlesex
Lytham: Warwickshire v Worcestershire
25—OTHER MATCH
Warwickshire Under-25 Competition—Final
28—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Derby: Derbyshire v Somerset
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Essex
Bournemouth: Hampshire v Leicestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Warwickshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Kent
29—SIXTH CORNHILL TEST
Oval: ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA (5 days)
31—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Gloucestershire
Colchester: Kent v Derbyshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Worcestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Lancashire
Taunton: Somerset v Sussex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Essex
Headingley: Yorkshire v Northamptonshire

SEPTEMBER

4—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Nottinghamshire
Folkestone: Kent v Hampshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Middlesex
Oval: Surrey v Sussex
Worcester: Worcestershire v Somerset
Taunton: Somerset v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Surrey
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Lancashire
10—OTHER MATCH—ASDA CHALLENGE
Scarborough: Derbyshire v Yorkshire
5—OTHER MATCH—ASDA CHALLENGE
Scarborough: Lancashire v Nottinghamshire (1 day)
6—OTHER MATCH—ASDA CHALLENGE FINAL
7—Lord's: NATWEST TROPHY FINAL
BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Hove: Sussex v Leicestershire (if not played Sept 2)
Scarborough: Yorkshire v Nottinghamshire
14—BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CH'SHIP
Chelmsford: Essex v Yorkshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Surrey
Canterbury: Kent v Somerset
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Leicestershire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Hampshire
Oval: Surrey v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Middlesex
Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire

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MAY

5—Chelmsford: Essex v Sussex
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Kent
Bristol: Gloucestershire v Nottinghamshire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Leicestershire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Hampshire
Oval: Surrey v Warwickshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Somerset
Bradford: Yorkshire v Middlesex
12—Derby: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire
Canterbury: Kent v Hampshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Yorkshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Taunton: Somerset v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Derbyshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Essex
Scarborough: Yorkshire v Kent
19—Bristol: Gloucestershire v Kent
Basingstoke: Hampshire v Glamorgan
Leicester: Leicestershire v Middlesex
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire
Taunton: Somerset v Essex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Derbyshire
26—Chelmsford: Essex v Somerset
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Sussex
Canterbury: Kent v Nottinghamshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Middlesex
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Lancashire
Oval: Surrey v Northamptonshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Warwickshire
Scarborough: Yorkshire v Hampshire
Taunton: Somerset v Leicestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Derbyshire

AUGUST

4—Derby: Derbyshire v Surrey
Chelmsford: Essex v Middlesex
Southampton: Hampshire v Somerset
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Nottinghamshire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Yorkshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Lancashire
11—Colchester: Essex v Derbyshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Warwickshire
Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Leicestershire
Canterbury: Kent v Sussex
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Worcestershire
Weston-super-Mare: Somerset v Northamptonshire
Headingley: Yorkshire v Lancashire
18—Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Warwickshire
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Nottinghamshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Hampshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Surrey
Wellingborough: Northamptonshire v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Derbyshire
Canterbury: Kent v Hampshire
Leicestershire: Leicestershire v Yorkshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Gloucestershire
Taunton: Somerset v Warwickshire
Horham: Sussex v Nottinghamshire
Middlesbrough: Yorkshire v Hampshire
25—Ilford: Essex v Lancashire
Ebbw Vale: Glamorgan v Worcestershire
Lord's: Middlesex v Derbyshire
Bath: Somerset v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Hampshire
Sheffield: Yorkshire v Sussex
26—Swansea: Glamorgan v Essex
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Derbyshire
Lord's: Middlesex v Leicestershire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Kent
Gloucester: Gloucestershire v Somerset
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Surrey
Hove: Sussex v Warwickshire
Scarborough: Yorkshire v Worcestershire
Taunton: Somerset v Hampshire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Middlesex
Bradford: Yorkshire v Lancashire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Derbyshire
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Nottinghamshire
Gloucester: Gloucestershire v Kent
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Somerset
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Essex
Headingley: Yorkshire v Northamptonshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Middlesex
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Yorkshire

JULY

2—Worcester: Worcestershire v Yorkshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Northamptonshire
Gloucester: Gloucestershire v Middlesex
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Hampshire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Kent
Taunton: Somerset v Leicestershire
Hove: Sussex v Essex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Surrey
9—Bristol: Gloucestershire v Glamorgan
Leicester: Leicestershire v Kent
Lord's: Middlesex v Lancashire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire
Taunton: Somerset v Essex
Hove: Sussex v Leicestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Derbyshire
16—Chelmsford: Essex v Kent
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Sussex
Canterbury: Kent v Somerset
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Hampshire
Oval: Surrey v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Middlesex
Worcester: Worcestershire v Lancashire
23—Swansea: Glamorgan v Sussex
Old Trafford: Lancashire v Glamorgan
Lord's: Middlesex v Kent
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Surrey
Taunton: Somerset v Essex
Hove: Sussex v Leicestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Derbyshire
30—Derby: Derbyshire v Somerset
Southampton: Hampshire v Essex
Canterbury: Kent v Middlesex
Leicester: Leicestershire v Glamorgan
Hove: Sussex v Lancashire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Yorkshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire

AUGUST

6—Derby: Derbyshire v Surrey
Chelmsford: Essex v Middlesex
Southampton: Hampshire v Somerset
Northampton: Northamptonshire v Nottinghamshire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Yorkshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Lancashire
11—Colchester: Essex v Derbyshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Warwickshire
Cheltenham: Gloucestershire v Kent
Leicester: Leicestershire v Somerset
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Lancashire
Oval: Surrey v Sussex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Northamptonshire
Worcester: Worcestershire v Yorkshire
18—Chelmsford: Essex v Yorkshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Sussex
Canterbury: Kent v Somerset
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Hampshire
Oval: Surrey v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Middlesex
Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire
25—Bristol: Gloucestershire v Glamorgan
Leicester: Leicestershire v Kent
Lord's: Middlesex v Lancashire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Surrey
Taunton: Somerset v Essex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Derbyshire
Hove: Sussex v Northamptonshire
Scarborough: Yorkshire v Worcestershire
SEPTEMBER
1—Cardiff: Glamorgan v Surrey
Southampton: Hampshire v Middlesex
Folkestone: Kent v Derbyshire
Leicester: Leicestershire v Worcestershire
Taunton: Somerset v Sussex
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Essex
Headingley: Yorkshire v Northamptonshire
8—Marston-le-Marsh: Gloucestershire v Worcestershire
Southampton: Hampshire v Derbyshire
Canterbury: Kent v Warwickshire
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Essex
Oval: Surrey v Lancashire
Hove: Sussex v Leicestershire
15—Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Leicestershire
Chelmsford: Essex v Yorkshire
Cardiff: Glamorgan v Sussex
Canterbury: Kent v Somerset
Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Hampshire
Oval: Surrey v Gloucestershire
Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Middlesex
Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire

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COMBS DITCH FOR GOLD IN LAD'S ABSENCE

By HOTSPUR (Peter Scott)

TODAY'S Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup has a first prize of £52,560, making it the richest race ever run at Cheltenham. The injury to last year's winner Burrough Hill Lad leaves Combs Ditch as the pick on this season's form.

Combs Ditch shocked Burrough Hill Lad's admirers by running him to a short head in Kempton Park's King George VI 'Chase on Boxing Day. David Elsworth, his trainer, then predicted that Combs Ditch would take revenge at Cheltenham.

While only a minority supported Elsworth's view, it is still surprising that Combs Ditch should not be clear favourite in Burrough Hill Lad's absence.

Doubts about him centre on an oxygen deficiency problem which affected Combs Ditch in the 1983 Cheltenham Gold Cup.

The recurrence of his distress took place after Combs Ditch had been narrowly beaten by this week's Cheltenham winner Rose Ravine in a three-mile hurdle at Ascot last month, but it did not affect his performance.

Wayward Lad and Bregawn are today's other runners of proven championship class, but there are also doubts about them.

Combs Ditch has won four times at Cheltenham but it has never been a lucky course for Wayward Lad. The dual King George VI 'Chase winner failed dismally when favourite for last year's Gold Cup and has been rather disappointing this season.

Bregawn was a stable-companion of Wayward Lad when they were first and third in that memorable 1983 Gold Cup dominated by Michael Dickinson's five runners. Bregawn then became temperamental and was moved to Ireland.

Drumadowney, a front runner who has won four consecutive novices 'chases, and the former hunter-'chaser Earls Brig dispute favouritism with Combs Ditch. Earls Brig has become a safer jumper with professional jockeyship and tackles the Gold Cup after three easy handicap wins.

A late change of plan means that Tuesday's Arkle Trophy winner Boreen Prince will join the Irish challenge, but neither he nor Half Free can be guaranteed for stamina.

Rightband Man's four wins this season include the Coral Welsh National. He stays really well but might prefer softer ground.

Forgive N' Forget also has smart form and Burrough Hill Lad's withdrawal results in John Francome's riding the outsider Door Latch.

Francome has a much more realistic chance of winning the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle on Wing and a Prayer despite very strong opposition from First Bout and the Irish-trained Dochas. Combs Ditch's stable companion Jamesmead is coughing and does not run.

West Tip napped

West Tip misses the Gold Cup for the Ritz Club National Hunt Handicap 'Chase and this improving horse is napped to take advantage of a favourable weight. It will be his last race before the Grand National on March 30.

Classified is another Grand National entry who can win today. His recent Worcester victory over Badsworth Boy should be followed by success in the Cathcart Cup.

The County Handicap Hurdle will be Floyd's third race in less than a fortnight, but he won the Imperial Cup so well last Saturday that I cannot oppose him.

Further Thought, hobdayed since last season, impressed in his reappearance race at Sandown Park and can win the Christies Foxhunter 'Chase.

●Yesterday's attendance of 25,289 was 2,582 more than the corresponding day last year.

HOTSPUR'S "TWELVE"

Wayward Lad (3.30 Cheltenham) is the only horse listed in Hotspur's Twelve to Follow engaged today.

NEWMARKET SELECTIONS

CHELTENHAM: 2.15, Pagan Sun, ...

TODAY'S CHELTENHAM SELECTIONS

HOTSPUR	COURSE CORR.	FORM
2.15—Wing And A Prayer	2.15—Try To Stop Me	2.15—Wing And A Prayer
2.50—Further Thought	2.50—Cheerie Chief	2.50—Eliogarty
3.30—Combs Ditch	—	3.30—Combs Ditch
4. 5—WEST TIP (nap)	—	4. 5—BY THE WAY (nap)
4.40—Floyd	4.40—Floyd	4.40—Herbert United
5.15—Classified	5.15—CLASSIFIED (nap)	5.15—Kilkilowen

HOTSPUR'S DOUBLE.—West Tip and Floyd.

TONY STAFFORD.—Dochas (2.15).

Dochas (Frank Berry), a fancied Irish contender for today's Daily Express Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham.

Course Notes & Hints

Classified is Best

By OUR COURSE CORRESPONDENT

NICK HENDERSON, who started the Cheltenham Festival by saddling his first winner in the Champion Hurdle, may end the meeting in style by taking today's Cathcart Challenge Cup 'Chase (5.15) with **CLASSIFIED***.

The defection of Half Free to the Gold Cup has enhanced the prospects of Classified, who has not been out of the first three this season and last time beat Badsworth Boy, winner of yesterday's Queen Mother Champion 'Chase.

Try To Stop Me has a sound each-way chance in the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle (2.15), and **Cheerie Chief** may double Scotland's score at the meeting by upsetting better-backed rivals in the Christies Foxhunters' 'Chase (2.50).

Floyd remains well handicapped despite his three wins this term and can continue his run in the County Handicap Hurdle (4.40), where Ishkomann and Comedy Fair are expected to run well off low weights.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

CHELTENHAM

Course winners. — 2.50 (3¼m 'ch): Compton Lad (4m 'ch twice, 3¼ 'ch), Eliogarty (3¼m 'ch), Mr Mellors (2½m 'ch three times), Prominent King (3¼m 'ch), Spartan Missile (3¼m 'ch). 3.30 (3¼m 'ch): Bregawn (3¼m 'ch), Combs Ditch (2m hdle, 2½m 'ch, 3m 1f 'ch, 2½m hdle), Door Latch (3m 1f 'ch), Drumadowney (3m 'ch), Forgive 'N Forget (3m 1f hdle), Half Free (2m hdle, 2½m 'ch four times), Rightand Man (3¼m 'ch). 4.5 (3m 1f 'ch): Acarine (2½m 'ch), Broomy Bank (3m 1f hdle), Scot Lane (2½m hdle, 3m hdle, 3¼m 'ch, 3m 1f 'ch twice), Another Duke (3¼m 'ch, 3m 'ch twice), West Tip (3m 1f 'ch), Lean Ar Aghaidh (2m hdle, 2½m 'ch), Musso (2½m 'ch, 3m 1f 'ch), Gambir (2½m 'ch), Hill of Slane (3m 1f 'ch). 4.40 (2m hdle): Allten Glazed (2m hdle), Lesarda (2m hdle). 5.15 (2½m 'ch): Classified (2½m 'ch), Tom Little Al (2½m 'ch).

Jockeys (since Aug. 1979): Francome 37, Linley 19, Rowe 18, Scudamore 18, J. O'Neill 15, Morshead 15, Mr A. J. Wilson 12, Smith Eccles 12, Barton 8, Brown 8, Davies 8, Webber 8.

Trainers: Winter 50. In Ireland 33. Walwyn 29. C. ... 27. M. H. Easterby 14. Elsworth 15. Mrs Rimell 13. Henderson 12. L. Kennard 19. Mellor 10. Tate 10. Edwards 9. Forster 8. Nicholson 8. G. Richards 8.

Unique hat-trick for 'Badsworth'

By MARLBOROUGH (John Oaksey)

BADSWORTH BOY yesterday became the first horse ever to win three consecutive Queen Mother Champion 'Chases at Cheltenham, and it was no fault of his if this unique achievement was robbed of some glamour when Bobsline fell three fences out.

When you look forward to something as much as each year's National Hunt meeting, anti-climax will always lie in wait, and this was the second of the week.

At least the fates repaid Badsworth Boy's trainer, Mrs Dickinson, for her disappointment over Browne's Gazette.

Battle had scracely been joined in earnest when Bobsline fell. "He got over the fence all right," Frank Berry told us, "but forgot to put his under-carriage down." That Irish favourite had already made a few minor errors, but Berry had still asked him no question.

Badsworth Boy, who hit the next fence pretty hard, had been going equally well. "He usually takes one on to see how stiff they are," says Robert Earnshaw, but the champion's jumping had otherwise been flawless.

Body blows

The early leader, Far Bridge, could pose no threat, so he sailed home to take another title back to Harewood.

It was Mrs Dickinson's first "personal" Festival victory—as against five for her husband, Tony, and 10 for their son, Michael. But the £22,340 first prize put her ahead of Fred Winter in this season's trainers' table. Provided the going stays good, she plans to run yesterday's winner at Liverpool and hopes to bring him back next year.

Badsworth Boy began his working life as a two-year-old trained by Snowy Wainwright and ridden by Willie Carson at the Liverpool March meeting.

Bobsline and Ararun were two expensive body blows for Irish punters, and although another "banker" Antarctic Bay came to their rescue in the Sun Alliance 'Chase, I'm afraid that anyone hoping for another Arkle or Killiney searched in vain.

This was a race disfigured by jumping which varied from bad to downright dangerous. England's chief hope, Rhyme 'n' Reason, started it with a rapidly-worsening series of blunders, and although Antactic Bay jumped safely enough to begin with, he hit the second-last hard when challenging Darc Hansel for the lead.

I am sure Steve Smith Eccles would never willingly let a challenger up his inside round the final bend, but Darc Hansel gave him no choice by hanging right. He also plunged right-handed through the last, allowing Antarctic Bay to plod home for an unconvincing win.

Paul Kelleway, who as a jockey won two Champion Hurdles and a Gold Cup, has seldom erred on the side of pessimism since he started training. But more often than not, it pays to listen carefully, and those who followed his advice about Asir in the Sun Alliance Novice Hurdle were richly repaid.

Trained to the minute

In these days of huge prices for untried "store" jumpers, Asir was wonderfully well bought out of Guy Harwood's stable for only £36,000.

According to Kelleway, he needs an abnormal amount of work, but was trained to the minute yesterday and left a big, highly-thought-of field standing from the second-last. Mr Ronnie Beggan, who rode Asir so well, intends to turn professional next season.

The Coral Golden Hurdle produced widely varying luck for two of this season's most promising young jockeys. Paul Croucher got a crashing fall from Rufus T. Firefly and then, at the other end, Richard Dunwoody, 21, produced Von Trappe to outstay the rest and give him the first Festival winner of his rapidly-burgeoning career.

Smith Eccles is just ahead in the race for the Ritz Trophy with two winners and would almost certainly have added another if Green Bramble had not lost concentration at the second-last in the Mildmay of Flete Challenge Cup.

But Green Bramble's trainer, Nicky Henderson, has had to become used to changes of fortune lately. His gallant seven-year-old Batchworth suffered a fatal fall when disputing the lead with Northern Bay at the last fence of the National Hunt 'Chase, but then, after Green Bramble's fall, his stable-companion The Tsarevich suddenly turned everything round by sprinting up the hill, which in the past he has always been thought to dislike.

GEN. LENG MOVES IN AT RCA

By HOWARD WRIGHT

GENERAL Sir Peter Leng is to become chairman of the Racecourse Association when Air Cdre "Brookie" Brooks retires in June.

Gen. Leng, 59, has no practical experience of racing, having been a serving soldier since he was commissioned in the Scots Guards in 1944 until his retirement as Master-General of the Ordnance in 1983.

His other posts included G O C Land Forces in Northern Ireland, Commander 1st British Corps in West Germany, and Colonel Commandant of the Royal Army Veterinary Corps. He also served in Berlin and Aden.

His appointment was ratified at the annual meeting of the R C A to succeed Air Cdre Brooks who had been persuaded to stay on for a further 18 months beyond his original five-year term of office.

NORTHERN CORRESPONDENT

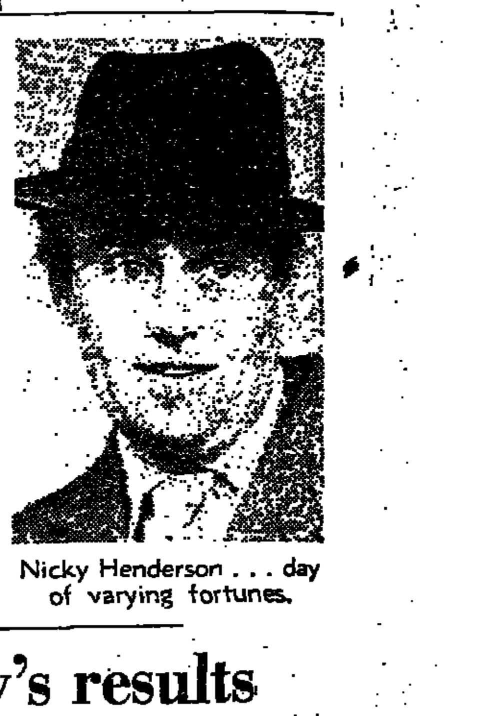
CHELTENHAM. — 2.15, Nohalmdun; 2.50, Prominent King; 3.30, Earls Brig; 4.5, By The Way (nap); 4.40, Comedy Fair; 5.15, Richdee.

STATE OF GOING

Advance official going for tomorrow's meetings: Fakenham, "good"; Lingfield Park, "good to soft"; Wolverhampton, 'ch, "good," hdle, "good to soft."

WHISTLER'S NAP

By the Way (4.5 Cheltenham), is today's revised nap by Whistler of the SUNDAY TELEGRAPH.



Nicky Henderson . . . day of varying fortunes.

Yesterday's results

CHELTENHAM

Going: GOOD

2.15: SUN ALLIANCE NOV. HDLE Penalty Value £23,490 2½m

ASIR, b h High Top—Twelve O'Clock (R. H. Prince Yazid Saud) 5 11-7 Mr R. Beggan 9-1 1

SHEER GOLD, gr g Yankee Gold—Sutiraw (Mrs P. Harris) 5 11-7 R. Rolls 4-1F 2

OVER THE LAST, gr g The Parson—Eirenne (A. Delaney) 5 11-7 T. McGivern 9-1 3

Also: 13-2 Ten of Spades (5th), 12 Im-harrum, Kilowick, The Liquidator, 16 Lenarh (p.u.), 20 Golden Warrior, Moon Mariner, Oyster Cottage, Tawnridge (4th), 25 Freelow, 33 Mariners Dream, Sutton Prince, 50 Proud Bishop, Tickite Bco, 60 Meister, Ten Plus (6th), 133 Curry Lunch, Horn of Plenty, Sausage, 200 Come Alive, Friendly Henry, Master Lone (f), Master Vince, Kitty Bushau. 27 ran. ½, 21, 21, 8l. (P. Kelleway, Newmarket). Tote: Win, £10·80; places, £3·40, £2·10, £2·30; Dual F'cast: £20·10. SPSF: £... NRs: Ararun, Lucky Rascal, Stoney Creek.

2.50: QUEEN MOTHER CHAMPION 'CH £22,340 2m

BADSWORTH BOY, ch g Will Hays—Falcade (D. Armitage) 10 12-0 R. Earnshaw 11-8 1

FAR BRIDGE, b g Saxifar—Ronbridge (Duke of Atholl) 9 12-0 R. Rolls 66-1 2

KYOTO, b g Averof—K'ondyke Fire (B. Monkhouse) 7 12-0 S. Smith Eccles ... 66-1 3

Also: 4-6F Bobsline (f), 66 Left Bank. 5 ran. 10l, 12l, 2½l. (Mrs M. Dickinson, Harewood). Tote: Win, £2·10; places, £1·50, £3·30. Dual F'cast: £10·70. SPSF: £37·51.

3.30: CORAL GOLDEN H'CAP HDLE FINAL £14,342 3m 1f

VON TRAPPE b g Normandy—Sharp Awakening (P. Clarke) 8 10-6 R. Dunwoody 12-1 1

RUN LEAH RUN b g Deep Run—Thrifty Pat (C. Alexander) 6 10-13 C. Grant 15-1 2

BANKERS BENEFIT b g Pitskelly—Little Cynthia (Brig. B. Fowler) 5 10-9 N. Madden 9-1 3

INDAMELODY ch g True Song—Indamelia (Mrs M. Thorne) 7 10-5 S. Smith Eccles 16-1 4

Also: 8F Gooses Gander, 9 Star Of Screen, 10 Cimmond Brle, 12 Chrystor, Misty Dale (6th), 20 Anzio Salvani, Rufus T. Firefly (f), Gembridge Jupiter (5th), Nizlah, 25 Arex, Randomly, Road To Mandalay, 28 Brass Change (p.u.), 40 Spaced Out, 50 Celtic Cracker, Cross Master, Ever Great, Lawnswood Miss, Menebrook, 66 Mossy Bell, Sonnau, 100 Le Levador, Triple Jump (p.u.), Noble Patrol, Rodney Parade, The Disco Dann. 30 ran. ½l, sh hd, 1l, nk, 5l. (M. Oliver, Droitwich). Tote: Win, £8·50; places, £1·90, £3·10, £1·30, £5·80; Dual F'cast: £58·10. SPSF: £158·81. Tricast: £1,545·39. NRs: Tonset The King, Oregon Trail.

4.05: SUN ALLIANCE 'CH £23,540 3m

ANTARCTIC BAY b g Shackleton—Tall Gal (P. Meade) 8 11-4 F. Berry 8-4F 1

DARC HANSEL ch g Prince Hansel—Ribble (Mrs G. M-Adams) 7 11-4 S. Smith Eccles 20-1 2

ZAMANDRA b m Foggy Bell—Zemanda (L. Wild) 10 10-13 M. Dwyer 25-1 3

Also: 9-4 Rhyme 'N' Reason (u.r.), Lecturis, 10 Sign Again (f), 12 Catch Phrase (4th), 33 Galway (p.u.), 100 Cool Magic (u.r.), Minta Reef (p.u.), Stearsby (u.r.), 11 ran. 3l, 4l, 4l, 8l. (P. Hughes, Ireland). Tote: Win, £2·10; places, £1·60, £2·70, £3·20. Dual F'cast: £13·90. SPSF: £28·11. NR: Spiller's Well.

4.40: NATIONAL HUNT 'CH (Amateur riders) £8,082 4m

NORTHERN BAY, ch g Sion Capitals—Sand Tuck (Tussen's Club) 9 12-4 A. Fowler 12-1 1

INSURE, b g Dusky Boy—Shade Free (C. Cosgrave) 7 12-4 T. Walsh 11-4F 2

SIDBURY HILL, br g Cheval—Watermark (S. Piker) 8 12-4 A. J. Wilson 16-1 3

Also: 3 Batchworth (f), 8 Red Shah (4th), 12 Sportiquck, 16 Brother Jack (p.u.), Welfare (u.r.), 20 Flying Jackdaw (p.u.), Cullen (6th), 25 Delator (p.u.), 40 Gambling Abbot, 50 Caldwell Case, Gay Fleh (u.r.), Ryedale (ref.), 100 Rooted Boy (p.u.), Krypton (p.u.), Tulinax, Born Bossy (5th), Gilden Gamble. 20 ran. 20l, 1l, 4l, 15l, 25l. (J. Bill, Ashby de la Zouche). Tote: Win, £10·90; places, £2·40, £1·30, £3·90; Dual F'cast: £11·40. SPSF: £40·49. NR: Chanford Hill.

5.15: MILDMAY OF FLETE CHALL. CUP H'CAP 'CH £11,451 2½m

THE TSAREVICH, b g Mummy's Pet—Madame Russe (Mrs C. Henly) 9 11-7 J. White 5-1F 1

WESTERN SUNSET, br g Menelek—Sunset Queen (S. Sainsbury) 9 11-9 H. Davies 7-1 2

MISTY FORT, gr m Menelek—Royal Fort (J. Summers) 7 10-5 R. Dunwoody 12-1 3

DIRECT LINE, ch g Straight Lad—Unmistakable Sarah (B. Otter) 11 11-8 R. O'Leary 11-1 4

Also: 15-2 Green Bramble (f), 8 Mossy Moore, 9 Going Straight, 10 Scottish Sound, 11 Beau Ranger (5th), 14 Bishop's Row (p.u.), 16 Carved Opal (6th), 25 Shrewd Operator, Winnetts, 33 St Alezan, 100 Mr Peacock, Perhaps Lucky. 15 ran. 1½l, hd, 2l, 5l, 8l. (N. Henderson, Lambourn). Tote: Win, £5·20; places, £1·60, £2·20, £3·20; Dual F'cast: £12·60. SPSF: £36·81. Tricast: £367·22. NR: Kathies Lad.

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NEWTON ABBOT

Going: SOFT

2.0 (2m 150y hdle): Celtic Bab (M. Caswell, Evens F), 1; Toro (P. Dever, 5-1), 2; Bold Acclaim (J. Frost, 15-8), 3. Also: 12 It's For You (5th), Wild Queen (6th), 14 Chase the Clouds (4th), 16 Lightning Rocket, Godrevy Sunset, Master Pepper, Western Counties, 20 Stout Answer (p.u.), 25 Random Sunrise, Tudor Mair, Up at Dawn (p.u.), Drooke (p.u.). 15 ran. 8l, 8l, 1l, 10l, 12l. (O. O'Neill, Cheltenham). Tote: Win, £1·60; places, £1·10, £1·80, £1·70. Dual F'cast: £4·00. SPSF, £10·13. NR, Celtic Sons.

2.35 (2m 150y 'ch): Fire Drill (A. Jones, 7-4F), 1; John's Present (P. Richards, 7-2), 2; Granara Lad (P. Warner, 6-1), 3. Also: 7-2 Gemeick (5th), 6 Genier (p.u.), 8 Lucklar (U.), 12 Crewning, Moneenl, 33 Prince Ruskin (4th), Dan Dare (p.u.), 9 ran. 2l, dist., 3l, 3l, 15l. (K. Bishop, Bridgwater). Tote: Win, £8·40; places, £1·40, £1·40, £2·20. Dual F'cast, £4·00. SPSF, £9·69.

John's Present finished, but after an objection and a stewards' inquiry was disqualified and placed second.

3.10 (2m 150y hdle): Irish Williams (Samantha Dunster, 10-11), 1; The Gold (G. Hester, 6-4F), 2; Struad Chandelier (A. Jones, 8-1), 3; Lift High (F. Hon. Wood, 13-1), 4. Also: 4 Sandcliffe Again (6th), 5 Pampered Glory, 6 Miss Black Glama, 8 Branksome Towers, Master Boon, 13 Inspired Jie (p.u.), 16 Aberration, Oliver Goldsmith (p.u.), 20 Only A Fool, Chevrol'ah, Nice's Nicole, Stafford (5th), 17 ran. 3l, 3½l, ½l, 17l. (T. Hallett, Saltash). Tote: Win, £20·80; places, £2·50, £1·10, £1·20, £4·70. Dual F'cast, £50·70. SPSF: £54·81. Tricast: £150·60.

3.45 (2½m 100y 'ch): My Always (M. Yeoman, 33-1), 1; Sommelier (A. Webber, 1-3F), 2; Halation's Flair (R. Hoare, 14-1), 3. Also: 15-2 Wild Gambi (4th), 8 Crosa, Village Mark, 12 Membridge, 16 Exeter Carnival, 20 Glideycan (p.u.), Golden Bornel (u.r.), Haybale, Never Tamper, No Pardon, Sailor's Return (5th), 33 Boysail (6th), 15 ran. 2l, 5l, 8l, 12l, 2l. (N. Kernick, Kingsteignton). Tote: Win, £41·10; places, £5·40, £1·40, £2·30. Dual F'cast: £55·20. SPSF: £56·62. Tricast: £311·93. NR: Harvest Hymn.

4.20 (2m 150y hdle): Brendon Prince (Miss H. Hardy, 33-1), 1; Annual (S. McNeill, 12-1), 2; Aletis (A. Sharpe, 9-1), 3. Also: 2F Allegate (4th), 7-2 Blue Waters (b.d.), Mornington (f), 8 Onoeate (5th), Winners Pleasure, 11 Run's Ruc, 14 Air Flight (4th), 20 Head'n Or, 25 Summer's Lock (p.u.), The Dinnick Lad (p.u.), 33 The Renderizer, Nips and Spice, Red City. 15 ran. 17l, 8l, 25l. (F. H. Handel, Taunton). Tote: Win, £33·10; places, £5·90, £2·90, £4·20. Dual F'cast winner or second with any other £2·50. SPSF: £413·62.

4.55 (2m 3f hdle): Chelsea Maid (N. Tinn, 7-2), 1; The Irish Shine (R. Chapman, 3-1F), 2; Keep Smiling (Mrs T. Turner, 33-1), 3. Also: Skirrelter (4), Knox, 33-1, 4; Allo 4 Peleon (p.u.), Dumpier 6th, 8 Party Miss (p.u.), 10 Bodi, 14 My Anamme (p.u.), Plaza Toro (p.u.), 16 Tonzeele, 20 Mamma Spiten, 25 Gilfrey Firely (5th), 33 Gypsy Lea (p.u.), Border Gem (p.u.), Bell Hop, Gyllpe Nil Mesa (f), 17 ran. 2½l, 1l, 1½l, hd, 5l, 11, 10. (Lately, Lambourn). Tote: Win, £5·30; places, £1·90, £1·10, £5·40, £5·70; Dual F'cast: £1·10. SPSF: £15·43. Tricast: £217·34. NR: Broken Flight.

PLACEPOT: £42·35.

Cheltenham runners, riders, form guide and betting forecast

STEWARDS: Capt J. Macdonald-Buchanan, Mr C. Collins, Mr J. Daly, Mr J. Sumner.

Racecard Numbers shown on left. Figures before oblique stroke refer to pre-1983 form and before hyphen to 1983-84. Riders' Allowance in brackets. C—course winner. D—distance. BF—beaten favourite. B—brought down. F—fell. P—pulled up. U—unseated rider. R—refused.

Advance Official Going: GOOD

JACKPOT MEETING

2.15 (Jackpot Prefix 1): DAILY EXPRESS TRIUMPH HURDLE 4-Y-O Penalty Value £23,765 2m (30 declared)

1 221234 AGAINST THE GRAIN (H. Shouler), D. Nicholson, 11-0 ... P. Scudamore
2 U003P ARCHIE'S NEPHEW (R. Barber), J. Thorne, 11-0 ... P. Dever
3 505430 BALLYCRACKERS (Mrs J. Robinson), R. Perkins, 11-0 Dal Williams
4 F003 BASKET WEAVE (E. Weinstein), A. Jarvis, 11-0 ... R. Rowe
6 0100 BIGEE (D) (P. Kearney), D. Oughton, 11-0 ... P. Double
8 000012 DANCING GUY (D) (M. Sheehan), M. F. Morris, Ireland, 11-0 ... N. Madden
9 111 DOCHAS (D) (S. Mullin), M. Grassick, Ireland, 11-0 ... F. Berry
10 54 FIRE BAY (BF) (Mrs S. Richardson), P. Haynes, 11-0 ... A. Webb
11 11 FIRST BOUT (F. M. Al Athel), N. Henderson, 11-0 S. Smith Eccles
12 35 GRACEFUL KICKER (BL) (J. Spielman), J. Edwards, 11-0 P. Barton
13 4030 HARD LINE (Mrs J. Murray-Smith), D. Murray-Smith, 11-0 ... —
14 421 HIERONYMOUS (W. Gredley), M. Pipe, 11-0 ... G. McCourt
15 00 IRISH HARVEST (R. Walton), Mrs M. Rimell, 11-0 S. Morshead
16 11 IRISH LORD (D) (W. Gredley), M. Pipe, 11-0 ... N. Doughty
20 13101 LIFE GUARD (D) (Cherry Tree Stables), S. Harris, 11-0 ... J. Frost
22 33021 MARC MILLAR (D) (E. Kearns), D. Hughes, Ireland, 11-0 ... K. Morgan
25 13122 NOHALMDUN (D) (Ulceby Farms Ltd), M. H. Easterby, 11-0 ... J. O'Neill
27 013F PAGAN SUN (T. Ramsden), A. Bailey, 11-0 ... A. Carroll
29 32 PIKE'S PEAK (BF) (Hippodromo Racing), Miss S. Hall, 11-0 —
31 4021P PUKKA MAJOR (M. Dorey), O. Sherwood, 11-0 ... H. Davies
33 13 QUICKSTEP (BL) (D) (BF) (M. Pipe), M. Pipe, 11-0 ... P. Leach
33 201030 SHEPHERD'S HYMN (D) (H. Grain), T. Bill, 11-0 ... G. Williams
34 2 TARAIUS (T. Kirk), P. Kelleway, 11-0 ... R. Dunwoody
35 111 TRY TO STOP ME (D) (A. Wilkinson), Denys Smith, 11-0 C. Grant
36 311020 WHISKEY EYES (H. Pinki), S. Mellor, 11-0 ... M. Perrett
37 111211 WING AND A PRAYER (CD) (D. Steele), J. Jenkins, 11-0 ... J. Francome
38 214030 WOODWAY (D) (K. Bell), D. Wintle, 11-0 ... R. Hyett
40 1323 BRIMSTONE LADY (D) (P. Green), F. Walwyn, 10-9 K. Mooney
42 0411 HUMBERSIDE LADY (D) (Humberside Enterprises Ltd), G. Huffer, 10-9 ... M. Dwyer
43 F110 TONDBAD (D) (M. Smurfit), D. Weld, Ireland, 10-9 T. Carmody

Pike's Peak non-runner states trainer

S.P. FORECAST: 4 First Bout, 5 Wing And A Prayer, Dochas, 7 Tondbad, 16 Nohalmdun, Brimstone Lady, 20 Try To Stop Me, 25 Dancing Guy, Humberside Lady, Irish Lord, 33 Quickstep, Marc Millar, Pagan Sun, 40 others.

1984: Northern Game 11-0 T. J. Ryan 20-1 E. O'Grady, Ireland, 30 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—First Bout beat Tamino (level) 20l at Newbury (2m 100y) March 2 with Irish Harvest (level) 7th. Archie's Nephew (level) f.o. when p.u. (heavy going). Wing And A Prayer beat Nohalmdun (level) 3l at Haydock (2m) March 2 with Against The Grain (rec 6lb) 8l away 4th (good to soft). Dochas beat Blakes Sovereign (rec 7lb) 12l at Punchestown (2m) Feb 23 (yielding). Tondbad was beaten about 4½l when 5th to Fredcoteri (gave 12lb) at Leopardstown (2m) Feb 20 (good). Earlier Wing And A Prayer beat Ace Of Spies (rec 5lb) 3l at Newbury (2m 100y) with Brimstone Lady (rec 10lb) 15l away 3rd. Whiskey Eyes (level) p.u. (heavy). Try To Stop Me beat The Clown (rec 14lb) nk at Wetherby (3m) Feb 27 (good to firm). Humberside Lady beat Tophams Taverns (level) 10l at Market Rasen (3m) March 2 (good). Basket Weave was beaten 12½l when 3rd to Jamesmead (gave 19lb) at Newbury (2m 100y) March 1 with Whiskey Eyes (gave 9lb) 12l away 5th. Pagan Sun (gave 5lb) fell 1st (soft). Irish Lord beat Celtic Dipper (rec 12lb) 15l at Stratford (3m) March 7 (soft). Quickstep was beaten 1l by Mr Key (rec 7lb) at Wincanton (2m) March 7 (good to soft).

WING AND A PRAYER is preferred to Tondbad

TV (B B C-1): 2.15 & 2.50. (B B C-2): 3.30 & 4.5

2.50 (Prefix 2): CHRISTIES FOXHUNTERS' CHALLENGE CUP (Hunter 'Chase) Amateur Riders £7,507 3¼m (17)

1 111-1 BORDER BURG (J. Delahooke), J. Delahooke, 8 12-0 P. Greenall
2 0/1U2-31 BRENT MYSTERY (A. Luff), A. Luff, 9 12-0 ... A. Luff
3 1120-1 CHEERIE CHIEF (H. Barclay), H. Barclay, 9 12-0 ... K. Anderson
4 P1/1412- COMPTON LAD (CD) (R. McAlpine), R. McAlpine, 12 12-0 ... C. Brookes
5 F11-41P CORKED (BF) (Mrs A. Villar), Mrs A. Villar, 6 12-0 S. Cowell
6 100-1 ELIOGARTY (CD) (Miss C. Beasley), J. Hassett, Ireland, 10 12-0 ... Caroline Beasley
7 111-12 ELMBOY (D) (BF) (W. Mawle), W. Mawle, 7 12-0 ... A. Hill
8 11P10-1 FURTHER THOUGHT (Mrs V. Vanden Bergh), Mrs V. Vanden Bergh, 10 12-0 ... T. Thomson Jones
10 CBP- MARREN DENE (N. Eley), N. Eley, 11 12-0 ... L. Harvey
11 F1-2 MOUNT FEDDANE (P. J. Jones), P. J. Jones, 9 12-0 ... A. Walter
12 B1512/2 MR MELLORS (C) (BF) (Mrs A. Villar), Mrs A. Villar, 12 12-0 ... Lucy Gibbons
13 021-231 PROMINENT KING (CD) (T. Easterby), M. H. Easterby, 13 12-0 ... T. Easterby
14 21520-1 SPARTAN MISSILE (CD) (Mrs M. Thorne), N. Henderson, 13 12-0 ... Diana Henderson
15 2431-14 TALON (D) (B. Munro-Wilson), R. Armytage, 10 12-0 ... B. Munro-Wilson
16 1221-11 URSER (M. W. Easterby), M. W. Easterby, 11 12-0 ... K. Reveley
17 U-0 WHITE PAPER (J. Webber), J. Webber, 13 12-0 Miss T. Webber
18 02/11UF TANDYS TONIC (B. Rendell), B. Rendell, 8 11-9 ... A. J. Wilson

S.P. FORECAST: 9-4 Eliogarthy, 4 Prominent King, 5 Urser, 7 Further Thought, 12 Elmboy, 16 Border Burg, Compton Lad, 20 Corked, 25 others.

1984: Venture To Cognac 11 12-0 Mr O. Sherwood 7-1 F. Winter, 21 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Eliogarty beat Under Way (gave 5lb) 2½l at Thurles (3m) Feb 21 (good). Prominent King beat Elmboy (rec 5lb) ½l at Leicester (3m) March 4 (soft). Border Burg beat Youghal (rec 7lb) sh hd at Haydock (3m) March 1 (good to soft). Further Thought beat Royal Judgement (rec 10lb) 20l at Sandown (2½m 68y) Feb 1 (soft). Urser beat Melela (rec 5lb) 12l at Market Rasen (3m) March 2 (good). Spartan Missile beat Dart Over (level) 2½l at Stratford (3¼m) March 7 (heavy). Cheerie Chief beat The Drunken Duck (gave 7lb) 12l at Ayr (3m 110y) March 9 (good). Mr Mellors was beaten 10l by Russ (rec 1lb) at Leicester (2½m) March 4 (soft). Brent Mystery beat Duke of Seraguay (rec 10lb) 8l at Hereford (3m 1f) March 2 with Tandys Tonic (rec 8lb) 3rd when u.r. 7th (soft).

ELIOGARTY best on form. Prominent King the danger.

3.30 (Prefix 3): TOTE CHELTENHAM GOLD CUP 'CHASE £52,560 3¼m (16)

1 00120F BALLINACURRA LAD (Mrs A. Moynihan), J. Crowley, Ireland, 10 12-0 ... P. Leech
2 1312U1 BOREEN PRINCE (C) (W. Lenehan), A. McNamara, Ireland, 8 12-0 ... N. Madden
3 300-001 BREGAWN (CD) (Mrs S. Kennelly), A. Mullins, Ireland, 11 12-0 ... Mr W. Mullins
6 110/122 COMBS DITCH (BL) (C) (BF) (R. Tory), D. Elsworth, 9 12-0 ... C. Brown
7 1-12132 DOOR LATCH (C) (R. Joel), J. Gifford, 7 12-0 ... J. Francome
8 F-P1111 DRUMADOWNEY (BL) (C) (Lady Vestey), T. Forster, 7 12-0 ... H. Davies
9 U22111 EARLS BRIG (W. Hamilton), W. Hamilton, 10 12-0 ... P. Tuck
10 FU-P11P EXCURSION (Mrs R. Stewart), G. Stewart, Ireland, 9 12-0 F. Berry
12 132121 FORGIVE 'N' FORGET (C) (T. Kilroe & Sons Ltd), J. Fitzgerald, 8 12-0 ... M. Dwyer
13 0F3131 GREENWOOD LAD (C) (Mrs A. Grantham), J. Gifford, 8 12-0 ... R. Rowe
14 4-11115 HALF FREE (C) (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin), F. Winter, 9 12-0 ... R. Linley
15 11-F04U HOMESON (R. Corbett), J. Gifford, 8 12-0 ... J. O'Neill
16 1-0F521 RAINBOW WARRIOR (N. McGrady), M. Cunningham, Ireland, 8 12-0 ... K. Morgan
17 20-1111 RIGHTHAND MAN (C) (Mrs M. Haggas), Mrs M. Dickinson, 8 12-0 ... G. Bradley
19 040-P0P SOINTULLA BOY (Mrs H. Houlbrooke), Mrs H. Houlbrooke, 10 12-0 ... Mr T. Houlbrooke
20 P-11353 WAYWARD LAD (Mrs S. Thewlis), Mrs M. Dickinson, 10 12-0 ... R. Earnshaw

S.P. FORECAST: 4 Combs Ditch, 5 Drumadowney, 11-2 Earls Brig, 7 Forgive 'N' Forget, Rightband Man, 9 Wayward Lad, 16 Half Free, 20 Boreen Prince, Rainbow Warrior, 25 Homeson, Bregawn, 33 others.

1984: Burrough Hill Lad 8 12-0 P. Tuck 7-2 Mrs J. Pitman, 12 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Combs Ditch, beaten 1l by Rose Ravine (level) at Ascot (3m hdle) Feb 6 (good), was previously beaten sh hd by Burrough Hill Lad (level) at Kempton (3m) Dec 26 with Wayward Lad (level) distant last of 3 (good to soft). Earls Brig beat Fortina's Express (rec 3lb) 10l at Haydock (3m) March 2 (good to soft), previously beat Wayward Lad (gave 18lb) 7l at Ayr (3m 110y) Feb 9 (good). Drumadowney beat Rhyme 'N' Reason (level) 3l at Ascot (3m) Feb 6 (good). Forgive 'N' Forget beat By The Way (rec 4lb) 2½l at Haydock (2½m) March 2 with Homeson (rec 8lb) u.r. 4th (good to soft). Rightband Man beat Peaty Sandy (rec 19lb) sh hd at Kelso (3½m) Feb 26 (good to soft). Half Free was beaten 30½l when 3rd to Western Sunset (rec 16lb) at Newbury (2½m) March 2 (soft). Rainbow Warrior beat We'll See (level) 2½l at Thurles (2½m) Feb 21 with Bregawn (gave 24lb) 44l away 6th (good). Bregawn beat Newiar (rec 4lb) 5l at Limerick (2½m hdle) March 7 (yielding). Greenwood Lad beat Forgive 'N' Forget (gave 15lb) 1½l at Ascot (3m) Feb 6 (good).

COMBS DITCH may beat Wayward Lad

4.5 (Prefix 4): RITZ CLUB NATIONAL HUNT HANDICAP 'CHASE £16,581 3m 1f (22)

2 251/05-2 GALLAHER (Mrs C. Bird), F. Walwyn, 9 11-7 ... K. Mooney
3 20F110 MAORI VENTURE (Maj. J. Rubin), A. Turnell, 9 11-6 ... Steve Knight
4 121410 ACARINE (C) (Mrs P. W. Harris), P. W. Harris, 9 11-5 R. Stronge
5 010-443 BROOMY BANK (C) (D) (Capt J. Lumsden), J. Edwards, 10 11-5 ... P. Barton
6 22211U SESKIN BRIDGE (The President of Ireland), P. McCreery, Ireland, 10 11-5 (6lb ex) ... M. Lynch
7 40434U SCOT LANE (CD) (T. Isherwood), M. Tate, 12 10-13 C. Smith
8 4/14-100 ANOTHER DUKE (C) (D) (W. Pilkington), J. Gifford, 12 10-13 ... R. Rowe
9 0-03111 WEST TIP (CD) (P. Luff), M. Oliver, 8 10-13 ... R. Dunwoody
10 P-41240 LEAN AR AGHAIDH (C) (BF) (Mrs W. Tulloch), S. Mellor, 8 10-12 ... M. Perrett
11 0-4F0 GOING STRAIGHT (N. McGrady), M. Cunningham, Ireland, 10 10-11 ... K. Morgan
13 13-P4F0 PRINCE ROWAN (J. Poynton), Mrs M. Dickinson, 9 10-10 ... G. Bradley
14 2-14112 RUN AND SKIP (D) (W. Marzouki), J. Spearing, 7 10-10 ... S. Morshead
15 312002 HARDY LAD (Mrs J. Milligan), B. Wilkinson, 8 10-10 N. Doughty
16 0F1330 THE ELLIER (C. Jones), A. Moore, Ireland, 9 10-9 ... T. Taaffe
17 4-2210P MUSSO (CD) (R. E. A. Bott (Wigmore St) Ltd), F. Winter, 9 10-9 ... Mr S. Sherwood
18 12-0001 GREAT HEAD BOY (Hitchens for Kitchens Ltd), R. Fisher, 8 10-9 (6lb ex) ... J. O'Neill
22 11-2034 GAMBIR (C) (Lord Vestey), D. Nicholson, 7 10-6 P. Scudamore
23 314441 BALLYMILAN (F. Sheridan), F. Sheridan, 8 10-2 (6lb ex) ... G. Newman
24 0311-42 BY THE WAY (Mrs C. Feather), Mrs M. Dickinson, 7 10-1 ... R. Earnshaw
26 4300-00 HILL OF SLANE (CD) (Mrs M. Jarvis), A. Jarvis, 9 10-0 ... S. Smith Eccles
27 F-2F11F CHARTER PARTY (Mrs J. Mould), D. Nicholson, 7 10-0 (3lb ex) ... N. Madden
29 PP-P00F DRUMCONDRA (J. Tainton), Mrs S. Tainton, 10 10-0 C. Smith

S.P. FORECAST: 7-2 By the Way, 8 Gambir, Seskin Bridge, 10 Acarine, 12 West Tip, 14 Broomy Bank, Scot Lane, Great Head Boy, Charter Party, 16 Gallaher, 20 Run And Skip, Lean Ar Aghaidh, 25 others.

1984: Tracys Special 7 11-1 Steve Knight 5-1 A. Turnell, 12 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—By The Way was beaten 3½l by Forgive 'N' Forget (gave 4lb) at Haydock (2½m) March 2 (good to soft). Another Duke was beaten 20l when 6th to Earls Brig (gave 8lb) at Haydock (3m) March 2 with Scot Lane (gave 3lb) winner in race in '82, '83, u.r. 9th (good to soft). West Tip beat Run And Skip (rec 3lb) 3l at Hereford (3m 1f) March 2 with Broomy Bank (gave 6lb) 6l away 3rd (soft). Seskin Bridge u.r. 3rd here Tuesday, previously beat Future Prosperity (rec 20lb) sh hd at Leopardstown (3m) Feb 20 (good). Charter Party fell 13th here Tuesday, previously beat Greenbank Park (rec 4lb) 3l at Newbury (3m) Feb 8 (soft). Great Head Boy beat Hardy Lad (gave 7lb) 5l at Ayr (3m 110y) March 9 (good). Ballymilan beat Armagnac Princess (gave 10lb) 12l at Warwick (3½m 100y) March 5 (heavy). Gallaher was beaten 5l when 3rd to Classified (level) at Worcester (2½m) Feb 27 with Acarine (level) 11½l away 6th (good to soft). Gambir was beaten 11l when 4th to Greenwood Lad (gave 4lb) at Ascot (3m) Feb 6 with Maori Venture (gave 13lb) 5½l away 5th (good).

BY THE WAY is well handicapped. Seskin Bridge next best.

4.40 (Prefix 5): COUNTY HANDICAP HURDLE £9,205 2m (29)

1 11-1500 RUSHMOOR (D) (J. Ennis), R. Peacock, 7 11-10 R. Linley
2 1F1222 PRIDEAUX BOY (D) (C. Roach), C. Roach, 7 11-5 M. Pitman (7)
5 330110 BOB TISDALL (D) (BF) (K. Al-Said), J. Edwards, 6 11-3 ... P. Barton
7 053143 ALLTEN GLAZED (CD) (Exors of late P. Widdall), M. Naughton, 8 11-0 ... G. Bradley
8 000411 HERBERT UNITED (D) (R. Bell), D. McDonogh, Ireland, 6 10-13 (7lb ex) ... H. Rogers
9 303020 IL PONTEVECCHIO (D) (Mrs J. Murray-Smith), D. Murray-Smith, 5 10-10 ... J. Francome
11 330003 ULTIMATO (M. Thornhill), H. De Bromhead, Ireland, 9 10-10 ... J. P. Byrne
13 20-2F42 COCAINE (D) (Mrs S. Pattemore), S. Pattemore, 7 10-7 H. Davies
15 3011-00 EASTER LEE (D) (A. Hunt), D. Elsworth, 5 10-5 R. Rowe
16 230-111 FLOYD (D) (M. Walsh), D. Elsworth, 5 10-5 (7lb ex) ... C. Brown
18 1-11400 COUNTY PLAYER (D) (Mrs Y. Sivier), Mrs S. Oliver, 8 10-4 ... J. Duggan (4)
19 011000 ISHKOMANN (D) (Mrs J. Warren), J. Spearing, 6 10-1 ... A. Webb
21 010111 COMEDY FAIR (D) (Mrs M. Nowell), M. H. Easterby, 5 10-0 ... J. O'Neill
22 01300-0 HOORAH HENRY (D) (M. Silver), D. Nicholson, 5 10-0 ... P. Scudamore
23 00-0100 SHORT RATE (D) (P. Nelson), M. Morris, Ireland, 7 10-0 ... T. Carmody
24 420001 LEGATE (D) (M. O'Sullivan), P. Hughes, Ireland, 8 10-0 F. Berry
25 00311-0 LIGHT TRAVELLER (D) (A. Duffield), M. Musson, 5 10-0 —
26 012000 MONEY FROM AMERICA (Mrs J. Donnelly), J. Crowley, Ireland, 6 10-0 ... Mr T. McCarthy (7)
27 3300-04 DODGY FUTURE (D) (D. Lowe), S. Mellor, 5 10-0 M. Perrett
28 10-2600 ASIA MINOR (D) (C. Hitchings), C. Hitchings, 5 10-0 ... R. Hyett
29 00322F RIVERS EDGE (D) (D. Knights), Denys Smith, 7 10-0 ... D. Thompson (7)
31 0000P0 STARLIGHT ROCKY (Miss Z. Green), Miss Z. Green, ... 10-0 ... J. Goulding
32 100010 LOHENGRIN (D) (S. Solomon), M. Salaman, 9 10-0 W. Hayes (7)
34 01P-00P SWEDISH PINE (D) (D. Marley), M. Lambert, 6 10-0 ... —
35 3182 KERCAST (J. Mason), L. Kennard, 5 10-0 ... B. Powell
36 0F8-003 SYMPATIQUE (D) (P. Williams), Miss E. Sneyd, 7 10-0 ... Lorna Vincent
37 P-000P0 LISARDA (CD) (A. Norman-Thorpe), W. Guest, 6 10-0 ... R. Dunwoody
38 000P-00 FAIR CITY (D) (G. Bell), F. Gibson, 7 10-0 ... K. Mooney
39 3031/P-1 MY CHALLENGE (D) (Mrs D. Stockil), K. Bridgwater, 7 10-0 ... W. Worthington (7)

Light Traveller non-runner, states trainer.

S.P. FORECAST: 5 Floyd, 6 Comedy Fair, 13-2 Prideaux Boy, 7 Herbert United, 10 Cocaine, Bob Tisdall, 12 Allten Glazed, Money From America, Rushmoor, 14 Ultimato, Dodgy Future, 20 others.

1984: Hill's Guard 5 10-11 A. Stringer 5-1 A. Scott, 19 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Comedy Fair beat Broad Beam (rec 6lb) 5l at Haydock (2m) March 2 with Hooray Henry (level) 24½l away 6th. Rivers Edge (rec 14lb) even chance fell 3rd out (good to soft). Floyd beat Prideaux Boy (gave 14lb) 8l at Sandown (3m) March 9 (good), previously beat Cocaine (gave 8lb) 1½l at Newbury (2m 100y) March 2 with Ishkomann (gave 2lb) 17l away 5th. Sympatique (level) 7th. Lohengrin (rec 7lb) out of first 9 of 14 (heavy). Bob Tisdall was beaten 10½l when 5th to Tudbout (rec 17lb) at Plumpton (2½m) with Il Pontevecchio (rec 9lb) 6l away 6th (soft). Allten Glazed was beaten 20l by Browne's Gazette (gave 17lb) at Kelso (2m) Feb 26 (soft). Herbert United beat Sub Editor (rec 1lb) 4l at Navan (2m) March 3 (yielding). Legate beat Proud Bishop (rec 1lb) 1l at Punchestown (2m) Feb 23 (yielding). Money From America was beaten about 14l when 7th to Hearns Hotel (gave 7lb) at Leopardstown (2¼m) Feb 27 (yielding). My Challenge beat Boardmans Coronet (gave 7lb) ½l at Worcester (2½m) Feb 27 with Dodgy Future (gave 18lb) 7l away 4th (good to soft).

HERBERT UNITED can complete hat-trick by beating Floyd

5.15 (Prefix 6): CATHCART CHALLENGE CUP 'CHASE £10,924 2½m (8)

1 312211 CLASSIFIED (CD) (G. Rogers), N. Henderson, 9 11-8 ... S. Smith Eccles
3 4-22011 KILKILOWEN (D) (Exors late Mrs S. Collen), J. Dreaper, Ireland, 9 11-8 ... K. Morgan
5 1111-04 STRAIGHT ACCORD (D) (N. Paravicini), F. Walwyn, 10 11-8 ... S. Shilston
6 1-P0114 TOM'S LITTLE AL (BL) (CD) (T. Staddon), W. R. Williams, 9 11-3 ... C. Brown
8 002353 BLACKRATH PRINCE (R. Dowsett), G. Balding, 9 11-3 B. Reilly
9 2-32323 CONNAUGHT RIVER (Mrs J. Mould), D. Nicholson, 6 11-5 ... P. Scudamore
11 3-32033 RICHDEE (D) (Miss D. Dalzell), N. Crump, 9 11-5 C. Hawkins
13 3 AIGUERE (D. Cordell-Lavarack), D. Cordell-Lavarack, Ireland, 7 11-0 ... S. Treacy

S.P. FORECAST: 11-4 Classified, 3 Kilkilowen, 7-2 Straight Accord, 5 Richdee, 8 Aiguere, 12 Tom's Little Al, 16 Blackrath Prince, Connaught River.

1984: The Mighty Mac 9 11-3 Mr D. Browne 4-7F M. Dickinson, 7 ran.

FORM GUIDE.—Classified beat Badsworth Boy (gave 21lb) ½l at Worcester (2½m) Feb 27 (good to soft). Kilkilowen beat Greasepaint (rec 9lb) 2l at Naas (2m 4f) March 2 (yielding). Richdee was beaten 12l when 3rd to Earls Brig (gave 5lb) at Haydock (3m) March 2 (good to soft). Straight Accord was beaten 26½l when 4th to Western Sunset (rec 10lb) at Newbury (2½m) March 2 (soft). Aiguere was beaten 10½l when 3rd to Rainbow Warrior (rec 4lb) at Thurles (2½m) Feb 21 (good). Tom's Little Al was beaten 31l when 4th to Canny Danny (gave 7lb) at Ascot (3m) Dec 15 with Richdee (gave 9lb) 4l away 5th (good to soft).

KILKILOWEN is preferred to Classified

HEXHAM CARD AND JOCKEYS

SELECTIONS

HOTSPUR	FORM
2. 0—Grey Wonder	2. 0—Gennaro
2.30—Press Gang	2.30—Veiled City
3. 5—Holly Buoy	3. 5—Holly Buoy
3.45—Pretty Lass	3.45—Unscrupulous Judge
4.20—Hazy Day	4.20—Hazy Day
4.55—Blackwell Boy	4.55—Eternal Dancer

Advance official going: GOOD

2.0: COASTLEY NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. 1) Penalty Value £599 2m (16 declared)

1 0000P Busk Fuzz, W. A. Stephenson, 5 11-1 ... M. Maguire (4)
2 332303 Gennaro, M. Naughton, 5 11-1 ...
4 0032-0 Grey Wonder, G. Richards, 5 11-1 ... D. Coakley (4)
6 0-C0 Rotate, W. Murray, 5 11-1 ... B. Storey
7 0-P0P0 Royal Merlin, W. Pearce, 6 11-1 J. Hughes (4)
8 000 Travel Home (BL), M. Ellerby, 5 11-1 ... Mr R. Morley
9 000- Walk Along, J. Hubbuck, 6 11-1 ... Miss F. Storey (4)
11 0FP00 Ashaloke, Mrs S. Lamyman, 7 10-10 ... T. Herney
12 Goodfellow's Folly, I. Jordan, 7 10-10 ... Mr T. Reed (4)
13 0 London-Blitz, Mrs J. Goodfellow, 5 10-10 ... A. Brown
14 00 Rebel's Fancy, F. Walton, 5 10-10 ... Mr J. Walton
15 P00 Sweetly Given, R. Allan, 5 10-10 S. Keightley
17 0030 Campus Boy, Mrs J. Ramsden, 4 10-7 ... Mr G. Harker (7)
18 00 Fifty Quid Short, J. Wilson, 4 10-7 S. Charlton
19 P0 Holmsley, Miss K. Thompson, 4 10-7 ... P. A. Farrell (7)
22 400 Spice's Right, J. Bradley, 4 10-2 G. Davies

S.P. FORECAST: 7-4 Gennaro, 3 Fifty Quid Short, 5 Campus Boy, 7 Busk Fuzz, 9 Grey Wonder, 12 Travel Home, 14 others.

2.30: OAKWOOD HANDICAP 'CHASE £901 2m (7)

1 251301 Veiled City (CD), F. Storey, 9 12-7 B. Storey
3 144333 Press Gang (CD) (BF), J. Wilson, 10 11-9 ... T. G. Dun
5 3/102-4F Coeur Vaillant (D), V. Thompson, 7 10-11 ... Mr N. Thompson (7)
7 0-075F3 Sir Badsworth, T. Laxton, 7 10-7 ... M. Brisbourne
8 04F404 Green Menelek (C) (D), I. Charlton, 9 10-1 ... Mr P. Dennis (7)
9 2400FP Imperial Amber (BL), R. McLean, 9 10-1 ... J. D. Doyle (4)
11 4FD3U0 Thelmas Secret (CD), T. Barnes, 8 10-0 ... M. Barnes

S.P. FORECAST: 2 Press Gang, 5-2 Veiled City, 7-2 Sir Badsworth, 6 Green Menelek, 8 Coeur Vaillant, 12 Thelmas Secret.

3.5: RYTY DRINKS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE £914 2m (11)

1 1F2150- Tepylon (D), M. Lambert, 6 12-4 ... A. Charlton (7)
2 24100 Birtle Me Boy, K. Stone, 10 11-8 M. Hill (7)
4 3543F0 Secret Lake, D. MacDonald, 6 11-5 ... A. Cockburn (7)
5 00F000 La Pearl, T. Caldwell, 8 10-13 ... P. Caldwell (7)
6 051120 Kindred (D), Ron Thompson, 7 10-13 ... Jayne Thompson (7)
7 4-1200F Felixstowe Lad (CD), J. Johnson, 6 10-3 — ... D. Jones (7)
8 121502 Holly Buoy (D), Mrs G. Reveley, 5 10-3 ... G. Charles-Jones
10 34000U Teejay (D), P. Bevan, 6 10-6 R. Hatfield (7)
16 1D1100 The Beginning (D), M. Bowker, 7 10-2 ... P. A. Farrell
14 F130-00 Unguarded (C), Mrs C. Weightman, 7 10-2 ... J. O'Gorman (7)
15 000000 Mossy Cones, W. A. Stephenson, 6 10-0 ... S. Mitchell (7)

S.P. FORECAST: 9-4 Kindred, 3 Holly Buoy, 9-2 Secret Lake, 5 Tepylon, 8 The Beginning, 14 Unguarded, 16 others.

3.45: CHOLLERFORD HANDICAP 'CHASE £1,640 3m (9)

1 103518/ Our Bara Boy, P. Monteith, 8 11-12 ... D. Nolan
2 020P34 Winning Brief, M. Naughton, 10 11-7 ... P. A. Farrell (7)
4 2P-0030 Worthy Heiress, E. Robson, 10 11-4 ... T. G. Dun
7 P31523 Unscrupulous Judge (CD) (BL), W. A. Stephenson, 8 11-0 ... Mr P. J. Dun
8 F212F0 Strawhill (CD), L. Alston, 10 10-7 ... N. Doolan (4)
9 143310 Meggies Dene, Miss M. Benson, 9 10-0 ... Mr T. Reed (4)
10 0P24-32 Pretty Lass (D), R. Woodhouse, 8 10-0 ... S. Keightley
11 40F450 Citadel Roc (BL), J. Bradley, 10 10-0 ... G. Davies
12 U22020 Ramoa's Son, N. Waggott, 9 10-0 ... Miss T. Waggott (7)

S.P. FORECAST: 5-2 Unscrupulous Judge, 7-2 Pretty Lass, 4 Worthy Heiress, 11-2 Winning Brief, 8 Citadel Roc, 10 Meggies Dene, 12 others.

4.20: PLOVER HILL NOVICES' 'CHASE £870 3m (11)

1 P0-111 Cool Trickster, P. Jeffrey, 9 11-3 ... —
2 P0-00F Darrowby, Mrs R. Butterworth, 7 11-3 ... J. O'Gorman (7)
5 U33221 Hazy Day, W. A. Stephenson, 6 11-3 ... K. Jones
6 0P-0P0P Lazy Boots (BL), Mrs S. Lamyman, 10 11-3 ... T. Heeney
8 03-300U Maracas Bay (BL), N. Waggott, 6 11-3 ... Miss T. Waggott (7)
12 P0GPP0- Sharp Word, I. Jordan, 10 11-3 ... Mr T. Reed (4)
13 0/000P0 Super Tony, F. Walton, 8 11-3 Mr J. Walton
14 303-803 Telegraph Bush, G. Renilson, 8 11-3 ... P. A. Farrell (7)
15 000U-02 Threlkeld Hall, Mrs C. Weightman, 10 11-3 ... J. Hansen
18 338303 Joyful Star, J. Dixon, 8 10-12 ... K. Doolan (4)
21 500F02 Purple Beam, T. Barnes, 6 10-12 M. Barnes

Cool Trickster non-runner, states trainer

S.P. FORECAST: 6-4 Hazy Day, 7-2 Threlkeld Hall, 5 Telegraph Bush, 7 Joyful Star, 8 Purple Beam, 10 Maracas Bay, 14 others.

4.55: COASTLEY NOVICES' HURDLE (Div. II) £582 2m (12)

1 000410 Cool Jamie (BL) (D) (BF), R. Allan, 4 11-3 ... P. A. Farrell (7)
2 U04F00 Another Flame, V. Thompson, 5 11-1 ... Mr M. Thompson (7)
3 00 Lochar Brig, D. MacDonald, 6 11-1 ... A. Cockburn (7)
4 0 Mauwood, C. Parker, 5 11-1 ... B. Storey
9 P-0 Rhein Lad, T. Barnes, 5 11-1 ... M. Barnes
11 225050 Starshot, D. Swindlehurst, 10 11-1 ... Mr D. Swindlehurst (7)
12 00400 Blackwell Boy (BL), M. Lambert, 4 10-7 ... A. Charlton
13 00030 River Lune, E. Stone, 4 10-7 ... A. Brown
14 000 Starjay, M. W. Ellerby, 4 10-7 Mr R. Morley
16 0 Wild Tales, W. Storey, 4 10-7 K. Teelan (4)
17 00043 Eternal Dancer, ... 4 10-2 ...
18 0035 Lady Locket (BF), M. Lambert, 4 10-2 ... A. Charlton (7)

S.P. FORECAST: 11-4 Lady Locket, 3 Cool Jamie, 11-2 Starshot, 8 Blackwell Boy, 10 River Lune, 12 Eternal Dancer, 14 others.

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OXFORD PACK HUMILIATED BY JAPANESE

By MICHAEL AUSTIN

Oxford University ... 16pts, Keio University ... 29

OXFORD, haunted by defeats this season, departed at 5 a.m. today on their annual Irish tour still blinking at the implications of an overwhelming defeat by Keio, enlightened and energetic tourists from Japan, at Iffley Road yesterday.

Keio, outplayed by Cambridge and well beaten by Loughborough Students, overcame their disadvantages in weight and height by *out-scrummaging* and out-jumping Oxford with exclusive use of two-man lineouts.

Embarrassment enveloped traditionally deficient area of Japanese rugby, became a rich bonus. Keio buzzed around like bees, befitting their gold and black hoops, in an insistent swarm of *support play*.

Keio, the oldest Japanese club, *founded in 1901*, and beaten in their three previous meetings with Oxford, even scored four tries through their forwards with victory by three goals, two tries and a dropped goal to a try and two penalty goals.

With Tashiro a flanker, throwing in productively to Nakayama, a lock, and Higashiyama, the other flanker, Keio developed a rhythmical game which bewildered Oxford, who even lost two heels on their own put-in.

Missed tackles

MacDonald, the captain, looked around unsuccessfully for rallying troops and Oxford's backs missed tackles monotonously and *derived solace only from* the line kicking of Evans in steady rain.

Oxford discovered belatedly that using their heavier forwards to run the ball might bring dividends but their fitness paled alongside fervent opponents who complete their five-match tour against West London Institute tomorrow. Their only previous tour win was over London University.

Keio, having led 9-3 at half time, scored tries through Wakabayashi, Nakayama, Tashiro, *Higashiyama* and Mamamoto, Asada kicking their goals expertly. Oxford's bedraggled response was Kennedy's two penalty goals and a try by Philips.

Oxford Univ.—A. Kennedy; S. Vessey, R. Rydon, J. Risman, L. Phillips; C. Evans (L. Cochrane, 29), S. Pearson; J. Dimmerns, A. Posumer, R. Stevenson, N. MacDonald, A. Welsh, D. Reed, I. Dunham, T. Marvin.

Keio Univ.—D. Murai; T. Wakabayashi, C. Hayashi, T. Matsumura, T. Ichise; T. Asada, T. Ikuta; T. Hachimoto, S. Goshio, T. Nakano, M. Shibata, T. Nakayama, H. Tashiro, M. *Higashiyama*, T. Hamamoto.

Referee.—A. Thomson (Bristol).

GUNNERS' PACK IN COMMAND

By RUPERT CHERRY

7 R H A ... 7 pts, 1 R Rgt Wales ... 6

A STRONG well-drilled pack and a wet day enabled 7 R H A to win the Army Challenge Cup for the first time at Aldershot yesterday when they beat the Royal Regiment of Wales from Germany in the final.

It was a close thing—a penalty goal and a try against a goal—but the Gunners deserved their success for their tenacity *and determination to wear down* the undoubted flair of the Welsh.

King, the R H A full-back, gave them an early lead with a penalty goal and though he had four more chances the ball became heavier in the rain and he could do no more.

The Welsh began by kicking away *too much of their* possession, but Beattie on the left-wing made a brilliant run from halfway selling a beautiful dummy to get past King and score their try which James, the full back, converted.

The Gunners had plenty of the ball and their fly-half, Commander, set his backs going well. While the ball often reached the wings the passing was too slow for them to get away or make an overlap.

Eventually Lewis, the R H A captain and Army player, scored *the try which won the Cup as* the pack pushed over after a short penalty.

7 RHA.—L/Bdr L. King; L/Bdr K. Hill, Lt N. Beasley, Sgt K. Jubb, Gnr E. Charples; Gnr S. Commander, Gnr A. Vickery, L/Bdr D. Coghlan, WO2 S. Farley, Bdr T. Gascoyne, Sgt T. Reese, Bdr T. Holford, Bdr A. Symes, Sgt M. Lewis, WO2 S. Byford.

1 RRW: Pte P. A. James; Pte M. R. Williams, Lt R. J. Withers, L/Cpl P. I. Ponting, Lt S. J. Beattie, Cpl P. Morgan, Sgt R. D. Evans, Pte Z. J. Szabo, Sgt A. Mason, C/Sgt M. E. Mason, Pte J. A. Scarlett, Pte A. C. Cotterill, Pte P. James, C/Sgt D. P. Goddard, Cpl M. T. Prosser.

Referee.—Lt M. Frary (R A M C).

RACKETS

CELESTION OPEN DOUBLES (Queen's Club).—First round: J. Snow & L. Deuchar w.o. M. Hooper & M. Griffith (scratched).

J. Denham & G. Hamilton-Fairley bt J. & A. Mallinson 12-15, 15-12, 12-15, 15-6, 15-3, 15-12.

Tashiro, the Keio University flanker, fails to bring down Kennedy, the Oxford fullback, at Iffley Road yesterday, but his lineout throwing helped to bewilder the Dark Blues.

DAVIES CALL TO STAND IN ONCE MORE

By JOHN MASON

THE now familiar telephone call to Huw Davies, England's utility back, in the week of an international was made by the Rugby Football Union yesterday. For the third time this winter, Davies is required as a replacement for a replacement.

As Clive Woodward (Leicester) *has not recovered from a foot injury*, Davies (Wasps) has been brought into England's squad for the *Calcutta Cup* match with Scotland at Twickenham on Saturday. He joins the team and five other reserves at training today.

Davies celebrated his call up by scoring a try while helping Wasps overcome London Welsh 22-6 last night.

Against France at Twickenham, Davies took over from Stuart Barnes (Bristol), having succeeded Woodward *in similar circumstances for the postponed match* with Ireland. Against Rumania in January Davies, then *a first-choice reserve*, won his 15th cap when replacing Kevin Simms.

NORSTER PLAYS FOR WALES

Robert Norster, the British Lions and Cardiff lock, has recovered from a neck injury and will play for Wales against Ireland at the National Stadium on Saturday. He came through a full training session without *mishap last night.*

Earlier doubts about Norster's fitness left David Waters (Newport), wondering whether, third time lucky, he might win a first cap. He was twice chosen as Norster's deputy but both matches were postponed.

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Midlands Rugby

Edwardians expect to conquer

NUNEATON Old Edwardians, enjoying the finest season in their 75-year *history*, look ahead to Saturday with the expectation of avening their only defeat so far, writes **Michael Austin.**

The Old Edwardians, beaten 9-6 by Trinity Guild in the Warwickshire Cup three months ago, revisit their conquerors at the *Memorial* Park, Coventry, in search of their 24th victory.

Apart from the Cup elimination, the Old Eds have only the *questionable blemish of a draw* with powerful Barkers' Butt on their record, which testifies to the side's *all-round skills and* the leadership of John Burdett, a hooker.

Since Burdett became captain in September, 1983, the Old Eds have won 58 matches, drawn three and lost four. Tony Betney, the club secretary, said generously: "*Our Cup defeat was an* aberration, but afterwards I felt quite pleased for Guild. It meant *so much to them.*"

Stourbridge seek record

Ironically, adverse weather has ruined the Old Edwardians prospects of beating the club record of 35 wins, set last season, but they relish the opportunity to *impress foreign opponents at the* Caen tournament in Normandy at Easter.

Barkers' Butts, Lichfield (Staffordshire), and **Loughborough Students** (Leicestershire) have already retained their respective county cups and qualified for *next season's John Player Special* Cup, along with two North Midlands clubs, Stourbridge and Evesham.

Stourbridge seek a record *third consecutive North Midlands* title at Moseley on a date to be arranged, while **Peterborough's** 9-3 win over **Old Northamptonians** qualifies them to meet **Stewarts & Lloyds** in the East Midlands final at Corby on March 31.

Golf

O'CONNOR JOINS TOP SENIORS

Christy O'Connor will be one of the 45 senior professionals who will tee off in the fifth annual Vintage Invitational Tournament in Indian Wells, California, today.

Others include Peter Thomson, a five times winner of the Open Championship, Billy Casper, Don January, Miller Barber, Roberto De Vicenzo Kel Nagle, Sam Snead and, inevitably, Arnold Palmer.

ATHLETICS

S. COUNTIES FLOODLIT MTG (Crystal Palace).—Winners 3,000m: M. Whitby (Birchfield) 8m 2·32s; 800m: P. Jeffs (Metropolitan Police) 1·54·06; 300m: N. Hopkins (Reigate Priory) R-25·2; High jump: C. Cornwell (Kingston) 6-6¾; Long jump: K. Hayford (Beales) 20-10½.

Golf

Watson poses Classic threat

By ALEX LANCASTER in New Orleans

TOM WATSON, who ran Fuzzy Zoeller so close in Orlando on Sunday, poses the main threat in the £365,000 New Orleans classic which starts today on the par-72, 7,080-yard Lakewood course.

He won £49,541 last week as runner-up to the incredible oeller — but the first prize here is a relatively meagre £66,055 so Jack Nicklaus and Seve Ballesteros cannot be in New Orleans just for the money.

Both are tuning up for the big championships to be played shortly, the Tournament Players' at Ponte Vedra in Florida the week after next, and the Masters' next month.

Nicklaus's stated object is to show himself around the nation *at various small events in the* last decade of his career. He surprised the Southern Open *sponsors at Columbus, Ohio, by* entering there last year, and he is a very welcome addition to the strong field here.

Oosterhuis returns

The Golden Bear's gesture earned him no special privileges. His tee-off time today was one of the earliest and he was away before 8 a.m. Lanny Wadkins, Hal Sutton and Calvin Peete are also challengers.

Ken Brown rejoins fellow Scot Sandy Lyle, whose inclusion in the 15 foreign invitations to Augusta was a big *encouragement*. Lyle is now more than halfway through his limit of 10 sponsors' invitations, and he is still well short of the £36,697 that he expects would gain him his U S players' card.

This amount is likely to put him in th etop 125 money-winners at the end of the year who will automatically be in the all-exempt fields *in* 1986. Peter Oosterhuis also returned to the circuit after a break and will hope to *resume his challenging ways*. Nick Faldo and Bernhard Langer are both taking much needed rests.

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WALES TAKE POLYTECHNIC CUP AGAIN

By A Special Correspondent

Polytechnic of Wales ... 6pts, Bristol Poly ... 3

WALES won the British Polytechnics Cup, sponsored by RUGBY WORLD, for the fifth time in the last six years with an uninspiring victory in dour conditions at Sunbury yesterday.

In a qualifying round Wales had beaten Bristol Polytechnic 12-9 and it was equally as close again, *if only in terms of* points.

Wales, who included the senior international Terry Shaw, a lock, dominated at forward to such an *extent that Bristol barely set foot* in the Welsh half after the interval.

Their slender lead was never threatened nor did it look like being built upon which was not only a credit to the Bristol defence, but also an indictment of *the blinkered approach* of the Welsh threequarters.

Jones converts

Bristol led after 21 minutes when stand-off Harvey *kicked* a 45-yard penalty. The only clear-cut move of the match came in the 55th minute when Powell, the Wales left wing, cut inside Harvey's attempted tackle for a try which Robert Jones converted.

It was enough to complete a *double for* the Polytechnic of Wales who had earlier beaten Newcastle Polytechnic 15-9 in the *second XV final.*

Bristol Poly.—M. Beresford; J. Hardwicke, M. Allenham, T. Pike, S. Jamieson; S. Harvey, J. Boulton; W. Gilbert (capt), C. Fisher, J. Warrell, I. Brown, M. Jones, R. Lamb, P. Meades, O. Harris.

Poly of Wales.—A. Parry; I. Samuel, A. Thomas, G. Williams, J. Powell; A. Sines, R. Jones; D. Short, M. Roberts, G. Llewellyn, P. Vaughan, T. Shaw, D. MacNaughton (capt), N. Llewellyn, L. Watts.

Referee.—R. Quittenton (London).

CROSBY IN DEMAND

Nat Crosby, son of the late Bing, has been given special invitations to play in the Car Care Plan and Lawrence Batley International tournaments on the European circuit this season.

STAFF & SHROPSHIRE ALLIANCE (Drayton Pk).—64-Beau Desert "A" (A. Arrowsmith, P. Williams (12), C. Owen (21)); 65—Hereford "A" (D. Remolons, NU. Etheridge (12), K. Field (16)); 85—Oswestry "A" (A. Strange, D. Hall (15), D. O'Leary (18)).

Squash Rackets

Le Moignan sweeps through with ease

MARTINE LE MOIGNAN, the British closed champion, showed why she is making her best attempt yet at becoming the world's leading women's squash rackets player when she made an impressive start to the defence of her Guy Laroche French Open title in Paris yesterday.

Mis sLe Moignan, 22, who beat the World No. 1, Sue Devoy, in last year's event, began with a 9-4, 9-7, 9-0 win over fellow England international Ruth Strauss, of Essex, with her customary fluency and *new-found consistency.*

The Guernsey player may now meet her life-long rival Lisa Opie, in the semi-finals, following the British Open finalist's 9-5, 9-5, 9-3 victory over Carin Clonda, a member of the Australian team that denied England the world title.

The winner is likely to again meet Devoy, the New ³₄ealander Saturday's final.

Cumings retires

Le Moignan now plays the Australian, Jan Miller, who beat Alison Cumings, former British closed champion who retired *through illness.*

Opie will meet the teenage World Masters champion, Lucy Soutter, who diligently carved out a four-game victory against another former British closed champion, Sue Cogswell.

MEN.—2nd rd: M. le Moignan (G.B.) bt R. Strauss (G.B.) 9-4, 9-7, 9-0; L. Opie (G.B.) bt C. Clonda (Australia) 9-5, 9-5, 9-3; J. Miller (Australia) bt A. Cumings (G.B.) 9-5, 7-4, ret.

CYCLING

TRERHENIAN-ADRIATIC OPEN.—Final stage: E. Vanderaerden (Be'gium) 5hr 19min 55sec, 1. Overall: 1. Zoetemelk (Holland) 28:21-08, 1.

BASKETBALL

WOMEN'S EUROPEAN CHAMPION CLUB'S CUP (Viterbo, Italy).—Daugawa Riga (USSR 55, Fiorello Vicenza 63.

HOCKEY

R. NAVY WOMEN'S CH'SHIP.—Final (Portsmouth): HMS Heron 1, HMS Nelson 0.

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LGE.—Winnipeg 6, New Jersey 5—New York Islanders 6, St Louis 5.

KENYON AND BRIARS ABSENT

Gawain Briars and Philip Kenyon hav opted out of the England squash team for the European team championships in Barclona on April 5-7 to concentrate on the Davies and Tate British Open later next month

But the selectors have not picked Hiddy Japan the Pakistan-born England No. 4. He did not appear in the last two English national championships, and a Squash Rackets Association spokesman said players had been chosen "with a greater *commitment* to the English national competition."

TEAMS.— Men: G. Williams (Sussex), D. Lloyd (Shropshire), D. Pearson (Lancs), B. Beeson (Northumbria), A. Naylor (Yorks). M. Bodimeade (Berks). Women: A. Cummings (Surrey), L. Soutter (Glos), N. Spurgeon (Surrey).

PREMIER NAT SCHOOLS CH'SHIPS (Lilleshall).—Boys' final: Seaford bt Millfield 3-2. 3rd & 4th play-off: Bradford GS bt Millfield 4-1. 3rd & 4th play-off: Durham bt Cranbrook 3-2.

SCHOOLS MATCH (Clifton).—bt Clifton (G. Palmer, D. White) 15-2, Haileybury (S. Heck & R. Bonallack) 15-9, 15-3, 15-2.

Badminton

BADDELEY ENTERS

Steve Baddeley, England's No. 1, has entered the men's singles and doubles in the national badminton championships *to* be played at Coventry, April 12-14. His participation reduces the *threat of the boycott* planned by 58 players as a protest against the absence from the competition of some of the stars.

OTHER SPORT TODAY

BILLIARDS.—Eurotherm World Prof Ch'ship (Hatton Garden, London, 11 & 6).

BOWLS.—County (2.30): Essex v Cambs (The Greens); Northants v Berks & Bucks (Wellingborough).

CURLING.—Uniroyal World Junior Ch'ship (Perth, 2 7.30).

RACKETS.—Celestion Loudspeakers Open Doubles (Queen's Club, West Kensington).

SQUASH RACKETS. — Inter-Command Ch'ships (RAF Uxbridge).

Motor Racing

TOLEMAN FORCED TO PULL OUT

By BRIAN ALLEN

AFTER four seasons of steady progress and with three new 1985 cars already completed, the Toleman team are withdrawing from this year's Formula I world championship.

Announcing what he called "a hard and soul-destroying decision," Ted Toleman, chairman of the Toleman Group, said yesterday that following Michelin's withdrawal at the end of last season, they had failed to find an alternative supplier.

"With no tyres," he said, "companies are not prepared commercially to support the team." It has bee nestimated that Grand Prix racing has been costing the team £4 million a year.

Neither Goodyear nor Pirelli have felt able to supply Toleman, and though talks have been proceeding with Bridgestone, the Japanese company have made it clear that they can think only in *terms of* possibl yentering G P racing next year.

The decision comes as a blow to the 60-strong team based at Witney, Oxon. Many will have to be laid off unless there is a "miracle" before the Brazilian G P on April 7.

'Very angry'

Withdrawal from the championship *series* is also a setback for John Watson, who was hoping to re-enter the Grand Prix scene after a year's lay off. He coevered 45 promising laps at Donington on Tuesday in one of the new Toleman T G 185s.

During recent testing at Rio, in the *prototype* TG 185, *Stefan* Johansson, impressed many observers with the car's stability *and general handling.*

"It has taken us four years to fight our way to the front in Formula I," said Toleman's managing director, Alex Hawkridge. "Now, just when we are in a position to win races, this has happened. Naturally I am disappointed and very angry."

Toleman entered Grand Prix racing in 1981, with a new Hart *turbocharged engine*. It marked the return of Pirelli to Formula I. It proved a daunting fight, with no points to show in the first two seasons. The team began to turn the corner towards the end of 1983 when Derek Warwick picked up places for them before he joined Renault.

Last year saw further progress, with second place at Monaco and *third places in the British and* Portuguese G Ps securing 16 championship points.

Bowls

BELLISS TEST FOR ALLCOCK

TONY ALLCOCK, of England, gold medallist at the last two World Bowls series, meets Peter Belliss, of New Zealand, the world champion, in the semi-finals of the Mazda International tournament in Melbourne today.

Bellis was beaten 21-10 in his final qualifying match yesterday by Ken Williams, of New South Wales, who meets Peter Lanson, of Tasmania, in the other semi-final.

Lanson, who had treatment on an injured knee until an hour before the game, beat Keith Poole, of Queensland, the defending champion, 21-11 yesterday.

Poole lacked *his usual consistency* and never captured line and length. Lawson took a 16-8 lead at the 15th end and went on to win at the 18th.

Williams started in brilliant form against Bellis and led 9-0 after six ends.

Belliss looked dangerous for the first time at the 15th, when he trailed 10-13, but Williams added eight shots on the next four ends.

MAZDA INT. T'MENT (Melbourne).—Final qual. rd: K. Williams (NSW) bt P. Belliss (New Zealand) 21-10; P. Lawson (Tasmania) bt K. Poole (Queensland) 21-11. Semi-final draw: A. Allcock (England) v Belliss; Williams v Lawson.

FOLKESTONE IN CONTROL

By Our Bowls Correspondent

Folkestone proved too strong for Peterborough when winning their Yetton Cup national inter-club championship final 86-58 at the Barking indoor club yesterday.

Though they finished ahead on *all four rinks, Folkestone did not* have everything all their own way. They were particularly extended *over the first 10 ends* which left Folkestone only two shots ahead overall.

Cathie Anton and Jean Coupe kept the heads consistently tight against international skips Shirley Lawrence and Vi Goodenough, two formidable internationals.

Anton was level after 10 ends. The next 11 ends produced only 15 shots, a remarkable low score *which kept the overall shots* figure down to only 1·5 per end. Coupe held Goodenough to 30 shots overall, a lowly 1·66 per end.

Folkestone skips first.—S. Lawrence 16, C. Anton 11—B. Shooter 24, J. Evans 21—V. Goodenough 17, J. Coupe 15—D. Tozer 29, B. Warters 15.

NAT MIXED CH'SHIPS AREA FINALS.—Pairs: Mrs J. Morris & M. Entwistle (Ely) 16, Mr & Mrs A. George (Ely) 15. Fours: A. Wilkinson (March) 23, P. Day (Ely) 21.

GATEWAY SUSSEX FOURS.—3rd rd: E. Lawrence (Eastbourne) 13, M. Phelps (Edenton P) 26—K. Corrass (Worthing Pav) 16, W. Hayward (Preston) 26—S. Walters (Falaise) 22, D. Herbert (Arun) 13— A. Jordan (Arun) 28, J. Blaire (Eastbourne) 13.

Boxing

PEARCE ASKS FOR DELAY

David Pearce, the British heavyweight boxing champion, *asked* the Boxing Board for a two-month adjournment when he appeared before them yesterday on an inquiry into his medical condition.

Ray Clarke, the board's secretary, said: "The board are hell-bent on making sue that he will not box again until he is fit to do so."

SKI-ING

WOMEN'S GIANT SLALOM WORLD CUP (Lake Placid). — D. Roffe (US) 2:57·75, 1.

Bowls & swimming boycott Ulster

By KEN MAYS

ATHLETICS is not the only sport that will boycott *competition* in Northern Ireland this summer, despite the assurances of Nicholas Scott, the Irish Sports Minister, that maximum security will be provided.

Several top athletes have said they would not risk taking part in the U K Championships in Antrim in May, mainly through fear, and they have been joined by bowlers and swimmers.

The Lombard British Isles individual indoor bowling championships and the Hilton Cup international were scheduled for Northern Ireland on rota next year, but already they have been switched to Scotland, possibly Prestwick.

Following the recent statement of the Irish National Liberation Army that no British sports teams would be safe in future, bowls officials decided it would be too risky to make the journey, an A S A official.

England were engaged in an international with Ireland in Larne last year, but the last time *the championships were staged* in Ireland was in Belfast in 1970—the year before the England and Scotland Football Associations introduced a boycott on the trouble-torn country that lasted four years.

Alleged death threat

Ironically, the latest threat to visiting sportsmen came after England's World Cup match against Northern Ireland in Belfast when a bomb exploded close to Windsor Park where the game was played.

The decision to switch bowls events from Ulster is thought to have been partly prompted by an alleged death threat to an international player from an Irish organisation.

The decision of the Amateur Swimming Association not to *send men's and women's water* polo teams will affect Northern Ireland's biggest sporting occasion, the three-week long Ulster Games in June.

The men refused the invitation immediately, but the women delayed their choice until yesterday, when they finally agreed not to go in the interest of safety.

"We sent a women's team there last year, but the opposition was poor, and although we did ask for a list of this year's entries, we have now abandoned our plans," said Eileen Williams, a A S A official.

Tessa Sanderson, the Olympic javelin champion, said last week she would not go to Northern Ireland this year, although she competed in the Ulster Games in 1984, and Tod Bennett and *Ade Mafe also said that, through* fear, they would be staying at home.

Zola Budd ran at the Mary Peters meeting, the final event of the Ulster Games, last year, and so did Steve Ovett, *whose arrival* at the U K Championships at Antrim three years earlier was not unlike an S A S operation.

To his credit, Ovett has been a constant visitor to Northern Ireland, and several *athletes* took part in the Mallusk cross country in January. But that was before the latest threat.

The English Badminton Association have no plans to send a team to Belfast at the moment, while the Scottish Badminton Association withdrew from a tournament there recently.

Cricket

DRUG TALKS BACKED

Worcestershire will support *fully any Test and County Cricket* Board inquiry into drug-taking within the sport, Alec Burnett, *the county committee's chairman*, told the clubs annual meeting in Worcester: "We do not believe it is a problem at the moment, but prevention is better than cure."

U-19 TEAM MATCH (Patna).—Australia 556-8 dec & 289-1. India 495. Match drawn.

FOURTH ONE-DAY WOMEN'S INT. (Jamshedpur). New Zealand 203-7 (J. Dunning 88); India 154-9 (S. Gupta 51 n.o., K. Gom 3-27). New Zealand won by 48 runs. New Zealand lead 3-1.

Women's Golf

Two join the circuit

By ELIZABETH PRICE

TWO new recruits to the women's professional golf circuit, Laura Davies and Julie Brown, are joined by Alison Nicholas and Diane Barnard, who have just completed their rookie year, to make up a team of four, sponsored by I B M and managed by Helen Latham, for full 1985 circuit.

Laura Davies, 21, sets out as a professional after a successful amateur career, culminating in her *Curtis Cup appearance last* year.

Runner-up in the 1984 British Amateur Championship, Julie Brown, also 21, has been a Staffordshire County player since 1979 and an English international *in 1984*.

In 1983, Miss Nicholas was the British stroke-play champion and runner-up for the English title. A year on the professional tour proved her potential, and she finished in 11th place in the order of merit. Her five top 10 finished included second place in the Caldy Classic.

Miss Barnard, 20, has also been a professional for a year and finished in the top ten once during last season.

Dale Reid and Katrina Douglas, the two leading money-winners on last year's European women's professional golf tour, have accepted invitations to compete in the Nabisco Dinah Shore Tournament at Mission Hills, California, on April 4-7.

Peter Francisco, in action during the World Billiards Championships in London yesterday. But unlike his uncle, *Silvino*, who won the *Dulux* British Open Snooker recently, the young South African lost 3-0 to Mark Wildman, the holder.

Now billiards enjoys its modest revival

By *JANICE HALE*

PROFESSIONAL *billiards is undergoing a transformation* similar to that which led to the snooker boom, even if the three-ball games does not yet aim beyond making a comparatively modest revival as a public entertainment.

The Eurotherm World Championship, which finishes at Hatton Garden Snooker Centre, London, on *Sunday*, is for the first time being played over the best of five games of 400 points up—a format which would have been rejected out of hand by the players of yesteryear.

Just as it was once unquestioned that the World Professional Snooker final must be of at least the best of 73 frames over a week, it was accepted that a true test of billiards was 16,000—*or a* fortnight's match—with the result often known well before the scheduled end.

The duration of the matches spread the excitement very thin, *but worse still*, such players as Walter Lindrum, Joe Davis, Tom Newman and Clark McConachy became so good in the 1930s that nobody wanted to pay to watch them play a game they made appear so easy. The much inferior standards of the modern game make it more enjoyable to watch.

Repetitious methods

The legislators were kept busy with billiards as various *players* throughout the game's history mastered various repetitious scoring methods to such an extent that monotony set in.

But *Lindrum, of Australia*, and to an almost equal degree, Joe Davis, Newman and McConachy tolled the death knell with nursery cannons, the technique by which the three balls were nursed along the cushions and even past the corner and middle pockets.

The World Championship remained dormant from 1934 until Lindrum relinquished it. McConachy became champion in 1951 and remained so until 1968 when Rex Williams successfully challenged the New Zealander, then 73 and suffering from Parkinson's disease.

Williams successfully defended the title *four times at irregular* intervals before he was beaten in 1980 by Joe Davis's younger brother, Fred, who joined Joe as the only player to have been world professional champion at both billiards and snooker.

Later that year the championship *reverted to a tournament* format with Fred Davis retaining it before Williams won it twice. Last year, Mark Wildman, of Peterborough, beat Eddie Charlton, of Australia, 1,045-1,012 to win the title for the first time.

But there was still little interest from television until Channel 4 televised the Blue Arrow Masters over seven weeks. With viewing figures never dropping below 2·1 million, it was decided to try a *frame-like structure* for the World Championship.

In Saturday's semi-final Wildman, 49, faces either Ray Edmonds or Ron Williamson, a *former* British junior champion. And, tempted to the professional game by its new prospects, Norman Dagley tomorrow meets another player making his debut in the event — Robbie Foldvari, of Australia, who beat Fred Davis 3-0 in the quarter-finals.

EUROTHERM WORLD PROF CH'SHIP (Hatton Garden, London).—Qtr-Final: M. Wildman (Peterborough) bt P. Francisco (S. Africa) 3-0 (400-186, 400-106, 400-70).

SCHOOLS RUGBY RECORDS

	W	D	L	F	A
Abingdon	6	0	4	176	110
Allhallows	2	0	12	105	203
Ampleforth	8	0	4	183	118
Ashville	6	1	11	160	290
Austin Fr	8	0	5	137	137
Babiake	14	1	2	386	137
Bancroft's	3	0	6	57	142
Barnard Cas	5	1	11	168	308
Bearwood	5	2	5	120	100
Bedford	5	1	2	128	65
Bedford Md	2	0	10	86	151
Belmont Ab	10	0	1	215	61
Bembridge	1	1	6	78	187
Bethany	2	0	9	106	198
Birkenhead	11	0	1	202	68
Bp Vesey's	8	0	6	193	162
Bishp Wand	8	0	1	265	157
Bp Stortfrd	10	0	4	180	92
Bloxham	12	2	4	341	187
Blundell's	11	1	2	224	98
Bradfrd GS	13	0	2	266	106
Brighton	11	0	1	275	87
Bristol GS	7	0	3	149	52
Brockenhurst	10	0	0	285	44
Bromsgrove	10	1	2	281	93
Broxbourne	4	2	6	129	143
Bryanston	8	5	3	140	104
Cannion	9	1	3	426	81
Canford	6	1	6	153	120
Colerbam	3	1	12	111	249
Chatham H	14	0	1	429	51
Cheltenhm C	6	1	5	185	87
Chislum GS	14	0	2	410	96
Cheshunt	6	1	9	237	[illegible]
Chchstr HS	18	0	5	479	147
Chislehurst	8	1	4	181	80
Christ. Bro	5	0	7	130	112
Christ's Hos	5	2	5	132	100
Churcher's	12	0	1	200	77
C o L Free	12	1	6	371	185
Clifton	3	0	4	83	103
Colfe's	3	1	5	45	85
Colston's	4	0	7	82	181
Cowley	11	0	8	268	176
Cranbrook	5	2	7	105	174
Cranleigh	9	1	4	200	75
Crypt	6	2	6	130	216
Culford	6	0	7	185	190
Dm Allen's	1	0	8	75	174
Dauntsey's	2	0	13	98	252
Dean Close	6	0	7	131	236
Denstone	6	1	7	349	251
Doual	2	1	4	66	127
Dover	4	1	1	88	72
Downside	5	1	6	79	124
Dk of York	5	1	7	158	173
Dulwich	11	1	2	156	76
Durham	12	3	2	436	167
Eastbourne	4	1	7	115	150
Ellesmere	9	1	6	101	[illegible]
Eltham	13	1	8	270	167
Emanuel	10	0	12	195	270
Embley Pk	8	0	6	224	213
Epsom	11	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Eton	9	1	0	287	61
Exeter	8	1	5	309	152
Falmouth	1	0	10	78	122
Felsted	10	0	4	235	127
Framlingham	2	2	7	65	135
Giggleswick	2	0	5	88	175
Glenalmond	5	0	0	177	76
Grenville	6	0	4	124	117
Gresham's	7	0	5	255	176
Glfd RGS	14	0	5	374	[illegible]
Gunnersbry	10	1	5	216	181
Habdsh. El	12	1	1	334	67

	W	D	L	F	A
Habdsh. Hm	2	1	1	28	[illegible]
Hampton	12	0	3	319	125
Hl Wycom	13	1	5	271	125
Hipperholme	4	1	10	121	234
Hurstpprpnt	11	0	3	251	107
Ipswich	10	0	6	250	141
John Fisher	9	1	7	201	148
Judd	[illegible]	3	1	201	71
KCS, Wimb	7	1	[illegible]	208	291
Kelly	[illegible]	[illegible]	6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kt Col. Cov	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	191	[illegible]
K Ed Bhm	15	0	[illegible]	473	123
K E VI, CH	10	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	101
K Ed VI, Sn	2	0	6	75	151
K Ed VI, Sn	9	0	1	256	50
K Ed VII L	11	0	1	300	52
K H VIII, C	16	1	5	422	145
K Wil. IOM	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	68	[illegible]
King. Brtn	8	1	3	182	125
King. Cbr	[illegible]	[illegible]	5	137	[illegible]
King. Mcld	6	0	10	175	254
King. Rhsr	1	0	9	[illegible]	180
King. Tntn	4	1	1	177	80
Kingswood	5	0	8	159	196
King Wrtr	12	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	62
Leeds GS	12	[illegible]	[illegible]	466	158
Lichfield	18	0	1	574	65
Lindisfarne	4	0	10	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ld Wndswth	4	0	4	145	101
L Wdm. T	12	0	2	250	[illegible]
Lghbro GS	8	0	8	221	163
Magdln. RS	12	0	0	233	47
Magdalen, C	7	0	7	125	153
Maidstn GS	17	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Malvern	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	66
Marlboro	8	0	5	256	[illegible]
[illegible]	6	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
M T Crsby	5	1	4	82	152
M T Nthwd	4	0	6	127	187
Millfield	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	124	[illegible]
Mill Hill	[illegible]	0	8	181	193
Miltn Abb	11	0	4	251	93
Monkton C	10	0	8	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monmouth	11	0	0	250	[illegible]
Mt S Mary	4	0	10	[illegible]	191
Newcastle	5	0	8	[illegible]	195
New. GS	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	258	201
Nttm HS	15	0	[illegible]	201	118
N Leamgtn	[illegible]	0	20	[illegible]	[illegible]
Norwich	10	0	[illegible]	196	95
Nottm HS	17	0	[illegible]	475	[illegible]
Oakham	3	1	10	156	210
Q. Swin H	11	0	[illegible]	321	[illegible]
Oratory	4	1	4	85	[illegible]
Pangbourne	4	0	10	102	202
Pmth VI FC	8	9	0	192	[illegible]
Perse	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	211	[illegible]
Plymouth	4	0	[illegible]	117	[illegible]
Pocklington	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	1	10	102	272
[illegible]	5	[illegible]	[illegible]	175	10
[illegible]	6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	109
[illegible]	10	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Queen [illegible]	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Radley	[illegible]	0	5	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ratcliffe	5	1	8	201	[illegible]
Reading	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	10	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reed's	8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reigate GS	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Ryde IOW	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
St Albans	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

	W	D	L	F	A
St Bees	5	0	6	183	126
St Bene. Ea	8	1	4	204	143
St Col. S Al	11	0	2	249	142
St Dun. Cat	7	0	4	134	198
St Edmd. W	5	0	7	93	104
St Edward. O	4	0	5	88	121
St George. H	4	1	6	127	184
St Gern. W	10	1	3	316	125
St John. Ld	0	1	8	34	116
St Joseph A	16	2	1	400	115
St Joseph. I	8	1	4	215	141
St Lawrnc. R	10	0	4	190	91
St Mary. S	11	2	9	277	186
St Peter. Yk	5	1	6	110	142
Sale G.S.	10	1	1	196	62
Seaford	4	1	8	165	203
Sedbergh	7	1	2	147	50
Sevenoaks	6	2	10	128	219
Shebbear	9	0	4	250	102
Sherborne	7	4	1	106	74
Shiplake	7	1	8	130	103
Sir W Borlse	12	1	2	244	144
Stamford	4	0	3	121	41
Stockpt GS	11	0	3	383	198
Stonyhurst	8	0	5	240	98
Stowe	6	1	5	160	148
Sutn Valence	2	1	7	49	177
Taunton	4	1	7	174	154
The Leys	14	0	0	346	47
Tiffin	1	0	12	60	312
Trent	14	0	0	331	107
Trin. Crn	13	1	1	320	97
Truro	11	0	9	341	243
U C S, Hamp	4	0	6	107	178
Uppingham	4	1	8	85	104
Verulam	14	0	3	547	173
Wimbn HS	15	1	2	520	85
Warwick	8	4	4	259	160
Wellngtn. Bk	6	1	4	122	93
Wellngtn. S	8	0	7	277	161
W Buckland	12	1	4	276	111
W Park GS	15	0	8	444	226
Whitgift	7	1	7	187	182
Wm Ellis	3	1	12	214	276
Wdhse Grv	14	2	2	455	170
Wrcstr RGS	12	3	4	365	170
Worksop	4	1	10	107	349
Worth	3	1	3	73	85
Wrekin	2	0	12	134	287
Wymondham	8	0	4	186	110

SCOTLAND

	W	D	L	F	A
Aberdn GS	1	0	9	66	368
[illegible] HS	4	1	9	210	177
Dollar Ac	16	0	5	603	166
Edinbgh Ac	16	0	6	419	75
Fettes	8	1	7	191	170
Glasgow A	12	1	5	396	174
Glasgow HS	8	2	6	106	187
[illegible]	12	1	[illegible]	201	114
[illegible]	3	3	6	98	172
[illegible]	11	0	6	207	168
[illegible]	8	4	8	171	151
[illegible]	5	0	7	296	154
Kelvinside A	15	0	6	76	187
Loretto	5	1	11	468	200
Merchistn C	7	4	6	207	101
Morrison A	5	0	4	319	96
[illegible]	11	0	9	297	354
Perth Acd	10	1	11	379	321
[illegible] HS	9	0	6	346	293
[illegible] Mel	15	2	4	296	117
[illegible]	9	0	13	88	370
[illegible]	1	0	6	547	171
Watson's	13	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Kent Schools Sevens

St Joseph's hit back to foil Maidstone

THE final of the Kent Schools Sevens at Kidbrooke *yesterday was contested by two of the strongest* sides in the county. St Joseph's Academy, Blackheath, *the eventual winners*, and Maidstone Grammar School.

Both have enjoyed a notably *successful* season and each had won the Kent title once previously. After beating Sevenoaks 12-4 in the *first round* Maidstone had come through *with little further* trouble, allowing little possession to their opponents.

St Joseph's, on he other hand, had *survived* some close contests. *In* the quarter-final against **Dulwich** and again in the semi-final against **Skinners** they had *sen their opponents* take an early lead, but in both cases they had contrived two scores to gain narrow victories.

The final started well for Maidstone, when Gledhill pounced on a loose ball for a try under the posts, Tague converting. It was soon *clear*, though, that St Joseph's were not going to allow Maidstone to monopolise possession and the extra pace of their back was decisive.

Johnny was the first to score for St Joseph's and Coleman converted from a wide angle to level the scores. *Harris won a* long chase for a second try and Chung added a third direct from the kick-off with a run *along the* touchline.

A diagonal kick to the corner brought a fourth try for St Joseph's by Johnny and although a try by Manser and a conversion by Owen narrowed the margin St Joseph's ran out worthy *winners at 18-12.*

St Joseph's Academy.—N. Johnny, R. Black, M. Chung, P. Coleman (capt.); J. Hart, A. Watson, M. Harris.

Maidstone GS: S. Brady, S. Manser, T. Gledhill, S. Owen; I. Fenn, R. Taylor, A. Tague (capt.).

Referee: J. Pearson (Kent).

Qtr-finals: Chislehurst & Sidcup GS 12, Eltham 8—Maidstone GS 22, Kings Canterbury 6—Skinners 20, Kings Canterbury II 0—St Joseph's Academy 10, Dulwich 6.

Semi-finals: Maidstone 28, Chislehurst & Sidcup GS 10—St Joseph's 12, Skinners 4.

Final: St Joseph's 18, Maidstone 12.

Plate final: St George's Gravesend 16, Sevenoaks 4.

F.A. Cup Replay

EVERTON PUSH IPSWICH ASIDE WITH PENALTY

By DONALD SAUNDERS

Ipswich ... 0, Everton ... 1

GRAEME SHARP, Everton's leading scorer, returned after a month's injury enforced absence, at Portman Road last night, to convert a 76th-minute-penalty that put the holders into the F.A. Cup semi-final and ended Ipswich's hopes of a second visit to Wembley.

Although injury deprived Ipswich of Cooper and Burley, the last survivors of their 1978 Cup-winning team, they were confident enough to take the game to the League leaders.

But their spirit was not matched by their technique. All too often moves that began promisingly from the back or from midfield broke down outside Everton's penalty box.

Time after time passes were misplaced when players were under no great pressure. On the two occasions when the persistent Sunderland looked like causing serious trouble he was frustrated by Everton's strong, well-organised, alert defence.

Sunderland brought a bouncing ball down skilfully with his head but his shot from the edge of the box was grabbed on the line by the diving Southall.

Blatant foul

When Sunderland broke upfield again, he was pushed over uncompromisingly by Ratcliffe, who deserved a booking for a blatant professional foul but escaped even a lecture from Alan Robinson, the referee.

Mr Robinson, however, did speak to Gray when he unfairly charged Grew, making a rare appearance in goal as deputy for the injured Cooper. This warning did not prevent Gray going up for another cross from Steven and bundling Yallop into the net along with the ball.

The referee disallowed the goal but presumably thought that Grew, who needed lengthy attention, had been injured accidentally, for he took no action against Gray.

As half-time approached Ipswich pushed forward persistently and were caught by a counter attack that ended with Steven crashing a shot against the underside of the bar. The ball bounced down and Gray protested vehemently to the referee. Mr Robinson simply waved on play.

Ipswich began the second half without Putney, who was replaced in midfield by the versatile McCall. This caused rearrangement of the defence, Butcher switching to left-back and Osman leaving the substitutes' bench to fill the vacancy in central defence.

Despite these changes Ipswich continued to force the pace and kept Everton under steady pressure.

Despite their industry, however, Ipswich could make no great impression on the Cup-holders' defence, though Brennan worried them with a flying header only inches wide of the near post from a high centre by Yallop.

During the closing stages Ipswich threw everything into a desperate effort to force extra time but, with a fierce shot from McCall spinning wide off the base of a post, they were obliged to accept defeat.

Ipswich.—Grew; Yallop, McCall, Zondervan, Cranson, Butcher, Putney, Brennan, Sunderland, Wilson, Gates.

Everton.—Southall; Stevens, van den Hauwe, Ratcliffe, Mountfield, Reid, Steven, Sharp, Gray, Bracewell, Harper.

Robson eager to play

BRYAN ROBSON, Manchester United's England captain, out of senior action for two months, said yesterday after coming safely through a second Reserve team game: "I am match-fit. So I'll be having talks with the boss about Friday's League game at West Ham," writes **Roger Malone.**

Reserves' coach Brian Whitehouse, however, said that the dynamic midfield player "still felt some slight pain from his shoulder." Consequently manager Ron Atkinson may delay Robson's return.

Although Robson fully fit probably would suit any side in the world, United have managed to improve their challenge for honours with seven wins and two draws from the nine games since he has been out with shoulder and ankle injuries.

At **Tottenham**, where United won in Tuesday's rugged battle, manager Peter Shreeves said of the severe knee injury sustained by another England international, Gary Stevens: "I am sure it was an accident."

Middlesbrough, battling against relegation, have signed for £30,000 Brian Laws, **Huddersfield's** former Burnley full-back.

Crystal Palace, also urgently in need of a Second Division revival, see Mothers' Day on Sunday as a chance to improve their gates and their image. Mums can see the **Carlisle** game free of charge, provided they are accompanying a child into the Old Stand or Sainsbury terrace, where children's prices also are reduced.

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Four-goal Oxford in race again

By A Special Correspondent

Oxford ... 4, Wimbledon ... 0

OXFORD UNITED resumed their challenge for promotion to the First Division with an overwhelming victory over Wimbledon last night thanks to a fine performance from stand-in striker Mark Jones and two more goals from leading scorer John Aldridge.

Oxford went ahead after only five minutes when leading scorer John Aldridge ended his leanest spell at the club with his first goal for two months.

Mark Jones, a late replacement for the injured Northern Ireland international, Billy Hamilton, put over a superb pass for Aldridge to score stylishly from 15 yards — his 23rd goal of the season.

Wimbledon had already had Steve Galliers booked for a first-minute foul on John Trewick.

Oxford went further ahead in the 15th minute when from their second corner, taken by Kevin Brock, the ball went to Malcolm Shotton, who turned quickly to put a low shot into the bottom right-hand corner of the net.

Brilliant save

Oxford should have had a third goal when Peter Rhodes-Brown crossed to Aldridge, who returned the ball to the centre, where Jones headed full-length, only for Dave Beasant to save brilliantly.

Before the interval, Wimbledon could have pulled a goal back when, from their first corner Carlton Fairweather found Mark Morris unmarked. But he headed narrowly wide.

Oxford, who replaced Trewick with Brian McDermott at half-time, increased their lead when, in the 56th minute, Jones passed to Aldridge, who streaked into the area, took the ball to the right of Beasant, and scored superbly.

That goal equalled the club's scoring record, set a year ago by Steve Biggins.

Oxford found the target for the fourth time when McDermott ran on to a long through pass to score in the 87th minute.

Oxford Utd. — Hardwick; Langan, Spearing, Trewick, Briggs, Shotton, Rhodes-Brown, Aldridge, Jones, Hebberd, Brock.

Wimbledon.—Beasant; Gage, Winterburn, Galliers, Morris, Martin, Evans, Fishenden, Sanchez, Downes, Fairweather.

FREIGHT ROVER DRAW

(3rd Rd).—Bury or Wigan v Tranmere or Burnley; York v Darlington or Lincoln; Mansfield v highest scoring qualifier; Bolton v highest scoring qualifier; Newport or Swansea or Bristol Rovers v Cambridge or Brentford; Bournemouth v Walsall; Millwall or Orient v highest scoring qualifier; Port Vale or Bristol City v highest scoring qualifier. Ties to be played by week commencing April 15.

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

FA CUP 6th Rd

Luton (1) 1	Millwall (0) 0		
Stein	17,470		

FA CUP 6th Rd Replay

Ipswich (0) 0	Everton (0) 1
—27,737	Sharp (pen)

DIVISION I

Aston Villa (0) 0	Arsenal (0) 0
	—15,487

DIVISION II

Barnsley (0) 0	Brighton (0) 0
	—5,342
Oxford (2) 4	Wimbledon (0) 0
Aldridge (2)	
Shotton	
McDermott	

DIVISION III

Derby (1) 2	Preston (0) 0
Hindmarch	
Buckley (pen)	—8,248
Lincoln (1) 3	Rotherham (1) 3
McGinley	Gooding (2)
Hobson	Kilmore
Redfearn	—2,157

DIVISION IV

Mansfield (1) 1	Port Vale (0) 1
Whatmore	Sproson
	—2,159

SCOTTISH LGE.—Prem. Div.: Morton 0, Dundee Utd 3. Div. I: Airdrie 4, Forfar 2—Falkirk 3, Kilmarnock 2. Div. II: Queen of South 1, Cowdenbeath 1.

FOOTBALL COMB.—Postponed: Portsmouth v West Ham.

NORTHERN PREM. LGE.—Bangor 1, Oswestry 1.

CENTRAL LGE.—Div. I: Nottm Forest 1, Derby 2—Sheffield Utd 0, Liverpool 1. Div. II: Hull 1, Middlesbrough 0—Leeds 8, York 0.

FRIENDLY INT'NAL.—Greece 0, Italy 0 (Athens).

SOUTHERN LGE.—Prem. Div.: Alvechurch 0, Shepshed 0. Postponed: King's Lynn v AP Leamington. Bill Dellow Cup, semi-final, 2nd leg: Cheltenham 1, VS Rugby 1 (Cheltenham win 3-2 on agg.).

SCOTTISH CUP. — 5th Rd Replays: Aberdeen 1, Hearts 0—Celtic 2, Dundee 1.

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LGE.—Div. II South: Feltham 0, Uxbridge 0.

E. COUNTIES LGE.—Bury 2, Lowestoft 1—Sudbury 7, Newmarket 0.

GT MILLS WESTERN LGE. — Prem. Div.: Frome 2, Chippenham 0—Mangotsfield 0, Paulton 1—Shepton Mallet 0, Bristol C 5.

INTER-SERVICES CH'SHIP. — R. Navy 2, Army 0.

BEDS SEN. CUP.—Semi-final Replay: Eaton Bray 3, Dunstable 0.

GOLA LGE.—Weymouth 3, Telford 2.

UNIVERSITIES.— East Anglia 2, Cambridge 6.

SCHOOLS.—Brentwood 2, Royal Liberty 2 — Burlington Danes 0, Latymer Upper 3—Falmouth 5, Truro 0—Farnham 3, Richmond 0.

STH WEST U-15 CH'SHIP: Avon 3, Devon 0.

ESFA U-19 County Ch'ship: Bucks 2, Beds 3. London Corinthian Shield: Aldershot 1, Waltham Forest 2.

RUGBY RESULTS

BASS MERIT TABLE.— Bridgwater & A 15, Weston-s-Mare 6.

TOUR MATCH.—Oxford Univ. 10, Keio Univ., Japan 29.

CLUB.—Ebbw Vale 10, Bath 15—Roundhay 7, R& Navy 16—Wasps 22, Lon Welsh 6.

BRITISH POLY CUP.—Final: Wales 6, Bristol 3.

OTHER MATCHES.—Aston Univ. 17, W. Midlands Police 10—Clifton 3, South Wales Police 28—RNAS Culdrose 16, R A F St Mawgan 12—Tiverton 18, Barnstaple 7.

CIVIL SERVICE CUP.—Final: Min. of Defence (PE) 22, In'and Revenue 4.

BRITISH COLLS CUP.—Semi-final: St Mary's, Twickenham, 16, St Paul's & St Mary's, Cheltenham, 6.

SCHOOLS.—Farnham 41, Richmond 0.

SEVENS T'MENT.—Henderson Cup final: Reigate 22, St Benedict's, Ealing 0.

RUGBY LEAGUE.—Silk Cut Challenge Cup, qtr-final replay: Widnes 12, Hull 19. Slalom Lager Ch'ship: Halifax 12, Wigan 12. Div. II: Bramley 16, Dewsbury 19—Runcorn H 14, Blackpool B 17.

Univs & Colleges Cup Final: Sth Glamorgan Inst. of HE 18, Edge Hill Coll. of HE 10.

TODAY'S FOOTBALL

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LGE.—Prem Div: Leytonstone/I v Croydon; Walthamstow v Dulwich. Div 1: Clapton v Oxford C; Maidenhead Utd v H'ampton. Div 2 North: Cheshunt v Saffron W. Hitachi Cup, 3rd Rd: Leyton W v Harrow; Wycombe v B Stortford. 4th Rd: Epsom v Staines; Lewes v Sutton.

FOOTBALL COMB.—Charlton v Bristol R (7); Chelsea v Fulham (2.15); Oxford v Brighton (7.30).

CENTRAL LGE (7).—Div 1: Coventry v Huddersfield; Everton v Sheff Wed. Div 2: Burnley v Preston; Port Vale v Sunderland; Rotherham v Grimsby.

REPRESENTATIVE. — RAF v HM Prison Services (Wallingford, 2).

RUGBY UNION.—Representative: Army v United Hospitals (Teddington, 3).

Martina Navratilova sports her new glasses, which she hopes will correct an astigmatism, at the Virginia Slims tournament in Dallas yesterday. She certainly had no trouble beating Britain's Jo Durie 6—1, 6—3.

Stein goal puts Luton through

By ROGER MALONE

Luton ... 1 Millwall ... 0

BRIAN STEIN, capitalising on Anton Otulakowski's blatant error, gave Luton a 31st-minute winner in the F A Cup quarter final at Kenilworth Road last night, after a 25-minute hold-up caused by Millwall supporters spilling onto the pitch.

After reports of damage in the town centre by supporters, there was a disturbance in the stadium half-an-hour before kick-off, to which George Graham, the Millwall manager, reacted positively.

With the visitors' end of ground over-full, hundreds of young Millwall supporters crossed the pitch to invade the locals' enclosure, and some seats were ripped out. Mr Graham, after first making an unsuccessful loudspeaker announcement, went across the pitch to appeal to his club's supporters to return to their allocated zone.

So the tie began on time. Millwall won the first corner—but it was not taken for another 25 minutes. This was because the Millwall zone, which held 8,700, was soon to be seen in a state of confusion as supporters spilled into the goalmouth and all along the end of the pitch.

The police and their dogs gradually persuaded the invaders back to the terraces, and after a loudspeaker appeal by referee David Hutchinson, the playing area was cleared, the game resumed, and Millwall's supporters had plenty to cheer about as their side gained several corners.

But after 31 minutes, a ghastly mistake by Otulakowski gave Luton the lead. The midfield player, under no great pressure, made a misguided pass in his own penalty area, straight to Stein, who snapped up the gift with a low, 10-yard shot which went in off a post.

Millwall, in 1937 the first Third Division club to reach the semi-finals, were now finding Luton's First Division class difficult to withstand.

Half time brought the opportunity to reflect that, after the regrettable pitch invasion, the police had at least prevented many nasty incidents during the long hold-up.

Millwall, who had beaten the might of Chelsea and Leicester in previous rounds had their moments but could not finish their best moves.

They almost fell further behind when Stein's raking pass sent Parker clear, but Sansome rescued the South London side with a superb save.

Luton. — Sealey, Breacker, Thomas, Turner, Foster, Donaghy, Hill, Stein, Harford, Nwajiobi, Parker.

Millwall.—Sansome, Stevens, Hinshelwood, Briley, Smith, Cusack, Lowndes, Fashanu, Chatterton, Lovell, Otulakowski.

Villa erase memory and hold Arsenal

By MIKE BEDDOW

Aston Villa .... 0, Arsenal 0

ASTON VILLA partly removed the spectre of their 6-2 mauling by Arsenal in last season's corresponding fixture by competing industriously in a hard-fought but unmemorable goalless draw at Villa Park last night.

A factor in Villa's improvement on last year's nightmare — and indeed on their most recent home performances — was an impressive start by Ray Walker, 21, on his first appearance of the season.

A former England Youth defender, he showed a natural instinct fir his role in an injury-depleted midfield. In quick succession, he had a centre cleared from the goalmouth by Caton and then placed two shots narrowly wide.

Villa's enthusiasm tended to hustle Arsenal out of their normal measured style and the Londoners should have gone behind when a shot from Gibson bit a post. Even then, Lukic had to save well from a follow-up attempt by Walters.

Arsenal, with only one win in their last 12 away games, found freedom for the first time in the 47th minute, but Woodcock was betrayed by his recent poor form, driving the ball against the advancing Spink.

Woodcock injured

Another glimpse of Woodcock, challenging this time for a through pass by Nicholas, resulted in an unfortunate booking for Evans when the England striker tumbed over his outstretched leg.

Soon afterwards Woodcock limped out of another tackle and wa simmediately replaced by Meade. The change coincided with strong Villa pressure, during which two shots by Walker were deflected for corners.

Lukic made a brilliant save from Gibson, but Villa had a scare when Ron Bridges, the referee, awarded Arsenal a penalty. He changed his mind only when a linesman apparently indicated that a handling offence was committed by an Arsenal player.

Aston Villa. — Spink; Williams, Dorigo, Evans, Ormsby, Walker, Gibson, Kerr, Withe, Cowans, Walters.

Arsenal.—Lukic; Anderson, Sansom, Talbot, O'Leary, Caton, Robson, Davis, Mariner, Woodcock, Nicholas.

Schools Hockey

REEDS TRIUMPH AT LAST GASP

By A Special Correspondent

Reeds School, Cobham, won the inter-schools hockey sixes after extra-time against King Edward's, Southampton, at Weybridge yesterday when a Jamie Jameson goal in the last 90 seconds settled the issue.

Reeds needed penalty flicks (4-2) to overcome the favourites Kingston Grammar, after a goalless semi-final while King Edward's reached the final with a Guy Cottrell goal against Cranleigh.

The final proved largely disappointing with Reeds surviving the sending-off of goalkeeper, Chris Potts, who had otherwise had an outstanding game.

Hockey

H.A. DEFEAT UNIVERSITY

By CHRIS MOORE

London University 0
Hockey Association XI 2

TWO goals from Chris Gladman at Motspur Park yesterday were enough to end London's hopes of completing a university treble by joining Oxford and Cambridge in beating Hockey Association sides this season.

The Old Loughtonians always lurking dangerously near goal, took his first chance in the 17th minute when he pounced on the rebound after Sefton, the London goalminder, could only parry a flick from Moat.

In the dying minutes, Gladman made it safe for the Association team, drawn mainly from England under-21 players competing for places in the Junior World Cup squad, when he fired home a shot after the London defence had been split by Camillerie.

He should have had his name on the score sheet too. In the first half Camillerie missed from close range after an error by Sefton and later sent his shot high over the bar when presented with an empty goal.

Angled shot

Forced to make several late changes, the Association team was fortunate to have the inside forward trio of Donnelly, Thomson and Gladman who have played together since their schooldays at Homerton House, Hackney. Between them, they gave the London defence endless trouble and 15 short corners should have brought additions to the H A score.

London had their chances, with Thompson twice going close from short corners and Crowe putting an angled shot just wide, but Roberts and Moat kep matters well under control in the Association defence.

LONDON.—M. Sefton, P. O'Donnell, J. Livingstone, C. Hickman, P. Kirkland, M. Baxter, J. Brooker, C. Senn Koon, Q. Crowe, R. Thompson, M. Szaro.

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION. — J. Mitchell (Hampstead), D. Roberts (Fareham), R. Moat (Southgate), J. Gurney (Bromley), D. Camillerie (O. Loughtonians), P. Conlon, S. Ghouri (Cambridge Univ.), M. Donnelly (O. Loughtonians), N. Thomson (Wanstead), C. Gladman (O. Loughtonians), M. Davies (Bromley).

UMPIRES.—P. Worrell & R. Dear.

STACT LGE.—Div. III: Birmingham Univ. 5, Leicester Univ. 3.

OTHER MATCHES.—Bristol Univ. 1, Warwick Univ. 0—Comb. Services 1, RAF 0—Loughborough Univ. 8, Nott'm Univ. 3.

REPRESENTATIVE.—London Univ. 0, R.A. XI 2.

ATARI LONDON LGE.—St Albans 2, Oxford Univ. 1.

TRUMANS SOUTH LEAGUE (Middx/Berks, Bucks and Oxon).— Aylesbury 3, Reading University 2.

SUN-LIFE WEST LEAGUE, Div I: Lansdown 2, Stroud 1.

WOMEN.—Keele Univ. 1, Manchester Univ. 1.

SCHOOLS.—Bloxham 5, Abingdon 1 —Bancroft's 1, Forest 3 — King's, Gloucester 5, Marling 3 — King's, Rochester 2, Simon Langton 1—Sir Roger Manwood's 5, E. Kent HA XI 3.

Wimbledon Championships

Sterling's decline puts up prizes

By JOHN PARSONS in Dallas

WIMBLEDON increased its prize money to close on £2 million yesterday, but in return expects to plough even more than last year's record profit of £4·25 million back into lawn tennis on a broader base than ever before.

In announcing the prize money total of £1,934,760, compared with £1,461,896 a year earlier, R. E. "Buzzer" Hadingham, chairman of the All England Club, stressed that the increase was dependent, to a great extent, on the decline of the pound against the dollar.

"Although the increase is 32 per cent., the extra, in dollar terms, is only just over 10 per cent. when you allow for an 18 per cent. depreciation of sterling since last year and the increase of our contribution to the Grand Prix bonus pool," he said.

Hadingham said that as nearly 50 per cent. of the entries came from the United States, or from players who convert their money into dollars, it was imperative to compensate them for the sterling decline.

Higher revenue

Though this means Wimbledon's prize money levels are higher than might otherwise have been the case, revenue, particularly from American television contracts, will also be higher, which is why Mr Hadingham could say he would be "astonished" if profits were not more than last year.

The winners of the men's and women's singles titles will collect £130,000 and £117,000 respectively, compared with £100,000 and £90,000 a year ago. First-round losers will receive £1,750 and £1,350, as against £1,300 and £1,027.

In keeping with its policy of recent years, Wimbledon is also changing the percentage prize money emphasis in doubles, this time in favour of early-round losers. Overall, Wimbledon will pay out slightly more than the French, but rather less than the United States Open, where a 10 per cent. increase is likely.

Apart from the prize money, a further £300,000 is being made available to the Lawn Tennis Association to assist pre-Wimbledon grass court tournaments, including Bristol, Edgbaston and possibly Beckenham and Manchester.

£100,000 for I T F

Once the Australian Open leaves Kooyong after the 1987 Championships, Wimbledon will be the only major grass court tournament in the world so it becomes increasingly important to protect the British grass court season.

Wimbledon is also making £100,000 available to the International Tennis Federation. "I think it's important for us to be seen to be helping tennis development world-wide," said Mr Hadingham. The money is expected to be spent promoting satellite tournaments in emerging tennis countries.

Other points announced yesterday: an extra 800 centre court seats have been installed; the rebuilt Wimbledon Museum will open in mid-June; and gates during the first seven days of the Championships, when play starts on outside courts at 12.30 p.m., will open at 11.30 a.m instead of noon.

PRIZE MONEY

(Last year's figures in brackets)

MEN'S SINGLES. — Winner: £130,000 (£100,000). Runner-up: £65,000 (£50,000). Losing semi-finalists: £32,500 (£25,000). Losing quarter-finalists: £16,500 (£12,500).

WOMEN'S SINGLES. — Winner: £117,000 (£90,000). Runner-up: £58,500 (£45,000). Losing semi-finalists: £28,500 (£21,900). Losing quarter-finalists: £13,950 (£10,704).

MEN'S DOUBLES (per pair).—Winners: £47,500 (£40,000). Runners-up: £23,750 (£20,000). Losing semi-finalists: £11,800 (£10,000).

WOMEN'S DOUBLES. — Winners: £41,100 (£34,700). Runners-up: £20,550 (£17,350). Losing semi-finalists: £9,500 (£8,000).

MIXED DOUBLES. — Winners: £23,400 (£18,000). Runners-up: £11,700 (£9,000). Losing semi-finalists: £5,850 (£4,500).

WOMEN'S PLATE. — Winner: £3,315 (£2,550).

OVER 35 MEN'S INVITATION SINGLES.—Winner: £10,000 (£7,500).

Obituary

HE CLEARED PATH FOR OPEN TENNIS

By LANCE TINGAY

JOHN EATON-GRIFFITH, C.M.G., O.B.E., died on Tuesday at the age of 91. Without him, the history of lawn tennis would have been different, because no one battled harder for the Open tournament.

He had a successful career as a leading civil servant, but his life's passion was lawn tennis, and when he ceased to play, he became its most prominent administrator.

He was president of the International Tennis Federation six times between 1948 and 1965, and for most of that time, worked zealously to clean up "shamateurism" in the game.

He never succeeded in achieving his hoped-for constitutional reform. In the end, open lawn tennis came about in 1968 as the result of a British revolution, but without his years of spadework it could not have happened.

His county affiliation was Middlesex. There probably was never an administrator as active as Eaton-Griffith, who chaired committees beyond number, and his leadership entered into every aspect of both the British and international game.

He was also active in the Central Council for Physical Recreation.

Other Obituaries—P16

BELGIAN INDOOR CH'SHIP (Brussels) — Singles, 1st Rd: C. Hooper (US) bt Paul McNamee (Australia) 5-5, 6-4, 7-5; T. Smid (Czechoslovakia) bt T. Allan (Australia) 6-2, 7-5; B. Becker (W. Germany) bt R. Green 6-7, 7-5, 6-4; P. Cash (Australia) bt W. Popp (W. Ger) 2-6, 6-3, 6-3; M. Wilander (Sweden) bt L. Fitzgerald (Australia) 6-3, 6-4; T. Hogstedt (Sweden) bt J. Frawley (Australia) 6-3, 4-6, 7-5; H. Gunthardt (Switzerland) bt J. Gunnarsson (Sweden) 6-3, 6-3; F. Gonzalez (Paraguay) bt J. Grardjean (Belgium) 6-2, 7-6.

Doubles: S. Edberg & A. Jarryd (Sweden) bt B. Becker (W. Germany) & J. Lloyd (GB) 5-7, 6-3, 6-4; P. Slozil & T. Smid (Czechoslovakia) bt L. van Langendonck & A. Brichant (Belgium) 6-3, 6-0; P. Cash & P. McNamee (Australia) bt M. de Palmer & T. Wilkinson (US) 6-7, 7-6, 6-3.

MARTINA'S WINNING NEW LOOK

MARTINA NAVRATILOVA presented a new look to the lawn tennis world here yesterday by wearing glasses for the first time, but her dominant image as she beat Britain's Jo Durie in the first round of the Virginia Slims of Dallas, remained the same, writes *John Parsons.*

"I suspect I've been having trouble with my sight for quite a time," said Miss Navratilova, who had found it difficult to understand three surprise defeats in the last few months.

"Last week (after losing to Hana Mandlikova in New Jersey), I realised I was having a hard time seeing the ball especially for volleys and overheads, so I saw a specialist and, sure enough, he said I needed glasses."

She collected them after breakfast, practised for two hours with coach Mike Estep and then beat Miss Durie 6-1, 6-3, after a 19-minute first set in which the British player, all too obviously short of match practice, salvaged only nine points.

Magnificent serving

Though Miss Durie had reason to be pleased with the second set which, with a little luck, she might even have won, the buoyant Miss Navratilova, serving magnificently, triumphed and bubbled over wit henthusiasm at the end.

The last Wimbledon champion to wear glasses was Billie-Jean King. By mid-summer Miss Navratilova may have decided to switch to contact lenses—unless, of course, an irresistible sponsorship deal involving glasses is offered in the meantime.

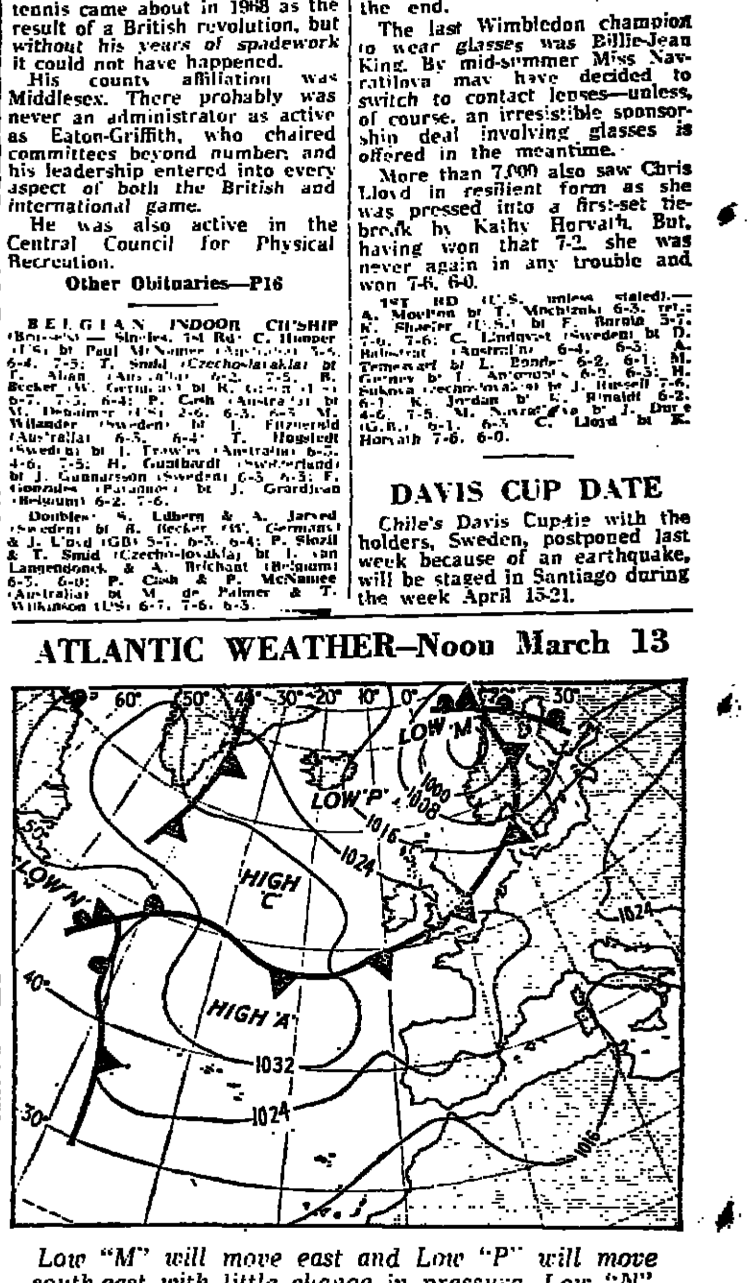
More than 7,000 also saw Chris Lloyd in resilient form as she was pressed into a first-set tie-break by Kathy Horvath. But, having won that 7-2, she was never again in any trouble and won 7-6, 6-0.

1ST RD (U.S. unless stated).— A. Moulton bt T. Mochizuki 6-3, ret.; K. Shaefer (U.S.) bt F. Bonsig 5-7, 7-6, 7-6; C. Lindqvist (Sweden) bt D. Balestrat (Australia) 6-4, 6-3; A. Temesvari bt L. Bonder 6-2, 6-1; M. Gurney bt I. Antonoplis 6-2, 6-3; H. Sukova (Czechoslovakia) bt J. Russell 7-6, 6-1; K. Jordan bt E. Rinaldi 6-2, 4-6, 7-5; M. Navratilova bt J. Durie (G.B.) 6-1, 6-3; C. Lloyd bt K. Horvath 7-6, 6-0.

DAVIS CUP DATE

Chile's Davis Cup tie with the holders, Sweden, postponed last week because of an earthquake, will be staged in Santiago during the week April 15-21.

ATLANTIC WEATHER—Noon March 13



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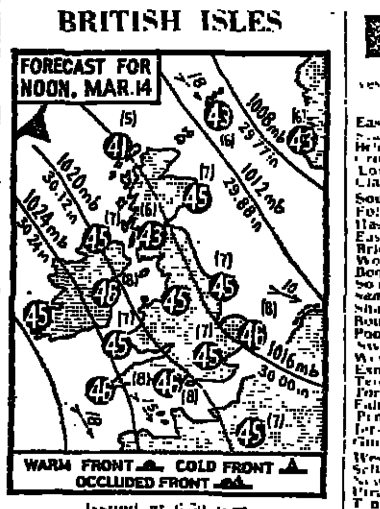
BRITISH ISLES



Issued at 6.30 p.m.

Black circles show temperatures expected in Fahrenheit. The equivalent temperature in Centigrade is given alongside in brackets. Arrows indicate wind direction and speed in m.p.h. Pressures in millibars and inches.

SKI-ING CONDITIONS

The following reports were supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain:

	Depth l	Depth u	Conditions Piste	Conditions o.p.	Weather	Temp 5 pm
Flaine	50	290	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	48
Gstaad	25	70	g	[illegible]	[illegible]	44
Kitzbuhel	5	75	w	[illegible]	[illegible]	34
Megeve	35	160	g	[illegible]	[illegible]	39
St. Moritz	80	150	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Verbier	55	120	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	43

Key: l—lower; u—upper; c—closed; cl—cloudy; cr—crust; f—fine; fa—fair; fo—fog; g—good; h—heavy; i—icy; o.p.—off piste; pd—powder; pr—poor; r—rain; sn—snow; sp—spring; th—thaw; v—varied; w—worn; depths in Centimetres; temperatures in Fahrenheit.

SCOTLAND

CAIRNGORMS: Upper runs: complete surface ice. Middle runs: complete but narrow, hard-packed snow with ice patches. Lower slopes: very little snow. Vertical runs: 1,400ft. Hill roads and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2,000ft.

GLENSHEE: Upper runs: Three runs complete, hard-packed snow with many ice patches. Lower slopes: little or no snow. Vertical runs: 1,000ft. Hill roads and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2,000ft.

GLENCOE: (Open Sats, Suns, Mons only): Insufficient snow for skiing.

LECHT: Upper runs and middle runs: Almost complete, very wet snow. Lower slopes: snow cover patchy, very wet snow. Vertical runs: 700ft. Hill roads and main roads: clear. Snow level: 2,000ft.

Forecast for today: Scattered wintry showers and sunny intervals. Showers will be most frequent in Glencoe. Freezing at all levels at first. Rising to 2,000ft. later. Wind fresh or strong.

Outlook for tomorrow: Cloudy, with breaks of sleet or snow at first, wintry showers later.

LONDON READINGS

Max. temp. (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) 48F (9C). Min. temp. (6 p.m. to 6 a.m.) 36F (2C). Rainfall 0·02 inch; Sunshine nil.

In Britain yesterday (daytime): Warmest Penzance 54F (12C); Coldest Cape Wrath 41F (5C); Wettest Trawscoed 0·02 inch; Sunniest Blackpool 6·1 hours.

Lighting-up time 6.33 p.m. to 5.45 a.m. Sun rises 6.17 a.m. Sets 6.3 p.m. Moon rises 3.4 a.m. Sets 10.4 a.m. High water at London Bridge 6.53 a.m. (21ft), 7.27 p.m. (19.3ft). Dover 4.10 a.m. (18.8ft), 4.44 p.m. (17.8ft).

BRITISH RESORTS

Reports for the 24 hours to 6 p.m. yesterday:

	Sun hrs.	Rain ins.	Max. Temps. F	C	Weather (day)
East					
Scarboro	.6	—	48	9	Cloudy
Brid'ton	2.1	—	46	8	Sunny
Cromer	—	0.04	45	7	Cloudy
Lowestoft	—	0.03	45	7	Drizzle
Clacton	—	0.03	45	7	Drizzle
South					
Folkestone	2.4	0.01	46	8	Bright
Hastings	1.8	—	46	8	Bright
Eastbourne	0.7	—	45	7	Cloudy
Brighton	—	0.01	43	6	Dull
Worthing	—	—	46	8	Drizzle
Bognor R	—	—	45	7	Cloudy
So'thsea	—	0.01	48	9	Cloudy
Sandown	—	—	48	9	Dull
Shanklin	—	0.01	46	8	Rain
Bournemth	—	0.01	48	9	Rain
Poole	—	—	50	10	Cloudy
Swanage	—	0.04	48	9	Cloudy
Weymouth	—	0.04	46	8	Dull
Exmouth	2.2	—	54	12	Bright
Teignmth	1.4	0.05	52	11	Cloudy
Torquay	1.7	0.13	54	12	Showers
Falmouth	1.4	0.05	52	11	Showers
Penzance	1.8	—	54	12	Drizzle
Jersey	3.0	0.08	50	10	Rain
Guernsey	2.5	0.03	50	10	Rain
West					
Scilly Is	0.9	0.05	54	12	Showers
Newquay	—	0.08	52	11	Showers
Ilfracombe	0.5	0.07	48	9	Bright
Tenby	5.1	0.04	50	10	Sunny
Colwyn B	1.8	—	46	8	Bright
Southport	5.1	0.03	46	8	Sunny
Morecambe	5.0	0.05	46	8	Bright
Douglas	5.4	0.04	46	8	Bright
Scotland					
Eskdalemuir	2.8	0.07	45	7	Showers
Prestwick	3.2	0.02	43	6	Bright
Glasgow	5.5	0.05	48	9	Showers
Tiree	4.8	0.04	46	8	Hail
Stornoway	2.8	0.11	45	7	Hail
Lerwick	6.0	0.07	43	6	Hail
Wick	5.3	0.11	45	7	Showers
Kinloss	3.1	0.04	46	8	Showers
Aberdeen	4.4	0.04	45	7	Bright
St Andrews	3.1	—	48	9	Showers
Edinburgh	2.5	—	48	9	Showers
Northern Ireland					
Belfast	3.1	0.04	48	9	Hail

HOME AND ABROAD

		F	C			F	C
Akrotiri	s	70	21	Locarno	c	48	9
Algiers	c	54	12	London	f	45	7
Amstrdm	f	41	5	*L. Angls	s	57	14
Ascension	f	86	30	Luxmbrg	s	43	6
Athens	c	50	10	Madrid	s	46	8
*Barbados	c	81	27	Majorca	dr	48	9
Barcelna	s	55	13	Malaga	f	59	15
Beirut	s	68	20	Malta	f	59	15
Belfast	c	41	5	Manchstr	c	45	7
Belgrade	s	46	8	Melbo'rne	s	88	31
Berlin	s	45	7	*Mexico C	f	73	23
*Bermuda	f	66	19	Miami	s	84	29
Birmghm	f	48	9	Milan	f	52	11
Blackpool	c	45	7	*Montreal	c	39	4
*Boston	r	52	11	Moscow	r	32	0
Bristol	c	48	9	Munich	c	34	1
Brussels	c	34	1	Nairobi	s	79	26
Budapest	s	45	7	Naples	c	52	11
*B. Aires	f	81	27	*Newcastle	r	46	8
Cape Tn	s	77	25	N. Delhi	s	81	27
Cardiff	dr	48	9	*New York	s	52	11
Casablnca	s	61	16	Oporto	s	57	14
Cologne	fg	34	1	Oslo	s	41	5
Copnhgn	c	32	0	Peking	s	41	5
*Chicago	s	46	8	Perth	s	79	26
Corfu	f	57	14	P. Stanley	f	55	13
*Dallas	c	57	14	Prague	f	[illegible]	[illegible]
*Denver	f	43	6	Reykjavik	f	32	0
Dublin	c	46	8	*Rhodes	s	63	17
Dubrvnik	s	59	15	*R de Jan	s	82	28
Edinbrgh	r	45	7	Rome	c	54	12
Caro	s	59	15	Salzburg	c	37	3
Florence	s	55	13	*S Frisco	c	50	10
Frankfurt	s	45	7	*Santiago	s	75	24
Funchal	s	63	17	*S. Paulo	c	82	28
Geneva	s	41	5	Seoul	f	46	8
Gibraltar	s	59	15	Stockholm	sl	34	1
Glasgow	c	45	7	Sydney	f	79	26
Guernsey	c	46	8	Tel Aviv	f	61	16
Helsinki	c	32	0	Tenerife	s	72	22
Hongkong	c	59	15	*Toronto	s	70	21
Innsbrck	s	46	8	Tokyo	c	39	4
Inverness	c	41	5	Tunis	c	48	9
I. of Man	c	45	7	Valencia	r	54	12
Istanbul	s	45	7	*Vancvr	s	54	12
Jersey	c	50	10	Venice	c	45	7
Karachi	s	88	31	Vienna	s	50	10
Larnaca	s	68	20	Warsaw	f	41	5
L. Pa'mas	s	70	21	*Wshngtn	f	45	7
Lisbon	s	55	13	Zurich	c	37	3

Key: C—cloudy; dr—drizzle; f—fair; fg—fog; r—rain; s—sun; sl—sleet. Temperatures (F & C) lunch-time generally. Asterisk indicates previous day's reading.

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TELEVISION

THURSDAY GUIDE BY RONALD HASTINGS

BBC-1

6 50 a.m.-9.20 **BREAKFAST TIME,** with Selina Scott and Mike Smith. 10.30-10.50 Play School, rpt.

12 30 **NEWS, WEATHER.** 12.57 Regional News (London and South East only: Financial Report and News).

1 00 **PEBBLE MILL AT ONE:** more on the P.M. house, which had numerous outside problems, experts now move in etc. 1.45 Bagpuss, rpt.

2 00 **THE CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL**—With the 2.15 and 2.50 races. 3.5 The Afternoon Show, Breaking Heart Disease: what can be done? And Chronicle: Jobs. 3.18 (not London) Regional News. 3.50 Play School. 4.10 The Family Ness. 4.15 Tatt. Apple. 4.25 Yogi Bear. 4.35 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds.

4 55 **NEWSROUND,** with Paul McDowell. 5.5 Blue Peter: Changing the Irish Guard! Only the wolfhound mascot. 5.35 Dr. Kildare, rpt. (Wales: Wales Today.)

6 00 **NEWS, WEATHER.**

6 35 **REGIONAL MAGAZINES.** (Wales: Dr. Kildare.)

7 00 **EASTENDERS**—This fractious cockney serial is turning out *quite different from Coronation Street or Crossroads*, with a much higher criminal background, altogether a more serious slice of fictional life. (Ceefax.)

7 30 **TOP OF THE POPS** — Introduced by Gary Davies and Richard Skinner.

8 00 **ONLY FOOLS AND HORSES**—It's Only Rock and Roll. Rodney wants to be a pop singer and Del is all out to help. (Ceefax.)

8 30 **A QUESTION OF SPORT**—More entertaining these days than some of the sports themselves. (Ceefax.) (Wales: Week In Week Out.)

9 00 **NEWS, WEATHER.**

9 25 **CRIMEWATCH U.K.**—Asking for help over the murder of Hilda Murrell and the mysterious disappearance of a French holidaymaker in Cumbria.

10 10 **QUESTION TIME** — Donald MacCormick with Jeffrey Archer, Robin Cook, James Prior and Sue Slipman.

11 10 **THE CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL**—Highlights of the final day of the National Hunt meeting.

11 30 **CRIMEWATCH UPDATE.**

11 40 **ROCKSCHOOL**—Repeat. **12.5 Weather.**

BBC-2

6 30 a.m.-7.20 **OPEN UNIVERSITY.** 9.20-3 p.m. Daytime on Two, a run of 15 short educational programmes, *maths repeat*. 3.5-4.20 The Cheltenham Festival, with the 3.20 and 4.5 races.

5 25 **NEWS, WEATHER.** 5.30 The Show Me Show, magazine programme, rpt.

6 00 **"THE BARKLEYS OF BROADWAY"** (1949)—Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers as a successful song and dance pair, until she decides she wants to be a serious actress. One of their last films together, after *nearly 15 years, and not* one of the most brilliant, burdened by a poor script.

7 50 **★ OURS TO KEEP**—Millstones. Not, for once, about preserving old houses, but how to restore useful life to rundown, unwanted *factories, even towns, in the north, notably* in Halifax, Hebden Bridge and Todmorden. Excellent work by young, wealthy enthusiasts. Ernest Hall has taken over a huge carpet factory and now has 55 small businesses working there. A new Jerusalem to England's dark, satanic mills.

8 30 **OUT OF COURT**—*Looking at Operation Snowball, the legal tactic* used by nuclear protesters.

9 00 **YES, MINISTER**—The Skeleton in the Cupboard. Repeat. (Ceefax.)

9 30 **FORTY MINUTES** — The Eternal Triangle: The Wife, second of the three programmes and the three women chosen make a very odd bag of wives: an American poet and entertainer, first seen performing in a West End pub, a Tunbridge Wells middle-class lady who does nude modelling and a Hull woman who says "It's silly to regard adultery as a sin. It's just a gamble". Hardly representative, and as much about mistresses, again, as about wives. As *usual on television, marriage gets the* nasty end of the stick.

10 10 **NEWSTIME**—A one-off comedy set behind the scenes of a news and current affairs TV programme. A bright *new producer has been put in to improve the ratings.*

10 40 **NEWSNIGHT**—At **11.25 Weather. 11.30 Weekend Outlook,** Open University preview.

11 35-12.30 **OPEN UNIVERSITY.**

ITV Thames

6 15 a.m. ***GOOD MORNING BRITAIN*** *9.25 Thames News Headlines.* 9.30 For Schools.

12 00 **THE LITTLE GREEN MAN.** 12.10 Mooncat and Co.: Missing You. Start of a new series. 12.30 The Sullivans.

1 00 **NEWS.** *1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Falcon Crest: Shadows* 2.30 Daytime, with Sarah Kennedy.

3 00 **GEMS.** 3.25 Thames News Headlines. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4 The Little Green Man, rpt. 4.15 The Moomins.

4 20 **SOOTY**—I'm Clever Too. 4.40 Words, Words, Words. 5 Dangermouse. 5.15 Blockbusters.

5 45 **NEWS.**

6 00 ***THAMES NEWS — With Andrew Gardner and Tricia*** Ingrams.

6 30 **THAMES SPORT**—Presented by Steve Rider. Football and Boxing, plus rugby international Rob Andrew.

7 00 **WHOSE BABY?**—Return for a new series of the quiz run by Bernie Winters with Emlyn Hughes making his second panel appearance of the evening.

7 30 **STREET HAWK**—A Second Self. We've had the pilot, now we get the bomb-aiming series itself. He's on the trail of car thieves.

8 30 **MINDER**—A Nice Little Wine. Arthur's future looks less rosey when his contact is corked and he gets the reckoning. Repeat.

9 30 **TV EYE:** Cold Comfort—the plight of pensioners who cannot afford to heat their homes.

10 00 **NEWS AT TEN:** followed by **Thames News Headlines.**

10 30 **THAMES SPORT SPECIAL**—Football and Boxing. Five-a-Side football *from* Wembley, plus the London ABA boxing finals from the Royal Albert Hall.

12 15 **NIGHT THOUGHTS**—With Dr. Sheila Cassidy.

Channel 4

2 35 p.m. **"A YANK IN THE R.A.F."** (1941, b/w): WW2 flag-waver, *American style, with Tyrone Power winning the* war for us as a pilot, some reviews said in the Battle of Britain, others on bombing raids, which are hardly the same thing. Probably he did both, one by day, the other by night. Betty Grable as the girl, plus John Sutton and Reginald Gardiner. 4.20 Countdown.

4 50 **"THE NAZIS STRIKE"** (1942, b/w)—American documentary directed by Frank Capra and Anatole Litvak on *German moves during the 1930s, grabbing neighbouring* countries.

5 40 **"CONFIRM OR DENY"** (1941, b/w)—Third film running here today under the general title Americans at War. This is back to fiction, with Don Ameche as an American reporter in London in 1940, falling for Joan Bennett as an official teleprinter operator. He gets hold of secret invasion plans and decides to publish them although they are valuable to the enemy. Film said to be a tribute to the bravery of American war correspondents, but all made in Los Angeles.

7 00 **CHANNEL FOUR NEWS**—At 7.50 Comment and Weather.

8 00 **DISCOVERY**—More scientific innovations, including on-board computers for military aircraft.

8 30 **TREASURE HUNT**—Derbyshire. Directed by two television engineers from the Midlands.

9 30 **THE NATION'S HEALTH**—Collapse. Last of the repeated four programmes by G. F. Newman. Dr. Jessie is now in a mental hospital, working that is, and faced with an unenviable decision, not to mention the inevitable cutbacks.

11 05 **DESIGN MATTERS** — Sound Images? The rock band Ultravox and how they built their image.

11 30-12 ***HALL OF MIRRORS**—In this final programme Professor* James Mackey discusses with Marghanita Laski a form of faith outside orthodox religions.

★★ Outstanding. ★ Recommended.

ITV REGIONS

TVS

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 TVS Outlook.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News; TVS News.
1 30 Hotel.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 27 TVS News; The Protectors.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 Coast to *Coast.*
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk—new adventure series with Rex Smith.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; TVS News.
10 30 Widows: concluding part of this crime-drama.
12 30 Company.

Anglia

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The *Little Green Man.*
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News: Anglia News.
1 30 *The* Champions, rpt.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 Anglia News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Blockbusters.
5 45 News.
6 00 About Anglia.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Tripper's Day, rpt.
7 30 Street Hawk—new adventure series with Rex Smith.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News: Anglia News.
10 30 Bomber—documentary on the Lancaster bomber veterans of the Seven Squadron, based at Oakington, Cambridge, in WW2.
11 30 Musical Special — Singer Aretha Franklin.
12 35 Thursday Topic.

Central

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 25 European Folk Tales.
12 40 Contact.
1 00 News; Central News.
1 30 The Champions.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Diff'rent Strokes.
5 45 News.
6 00 Crossroads.
6 25 Central News.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk—new adventure series: *Rex Smith.*
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; Central News.
10 35 Central Lobby, including an interview with Liberal leader David Steel.
11 05-12.10 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallace — "The Share Out" *(1961, b/w).*

Yorkshire

6 15 Good Morning.
9 25 Weather.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 *The Little Green Man.*
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 Calendar Picture Show.
1 00 News; Calendar News.
1 30 The Love Boat.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 25 News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Keep It in the Family.
5 45 News.
6 00 Calendar.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk—new adventure series with Rex Smith.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News.
10 30 Live at City Hall—Gerry Mulligan & Astrud Gilberto.
11 00-12 Hardcastle & McCormick.

HTV

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 For Schools.
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 *News; HTV News.*
1 30 A Country Practice.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems; HTV News.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Diff'rent Strokes.
5 45 News.
6 00 HTV News.
6 35 Crossroads.
7 00 Emmerdale Farm.
7 30 Street Hawk — new action adventure series, starring Rex Smith.
8 30 Minder, *rpt.*
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News; HTV News.
10 20 Winter Outlook.
10 35 The West This Week.
11 00 The Flowers *Dartsathlon* 1985: The Best v The West.
11 30 The Streets of San Francisco.
12 30 Weather.

HTV Wales: 6 p.m.-6.35 Wales at Six. 10.30 p.m. Wales This Week. 11-11.30 Rising Damp.

S4C

1 00 Countdown.
1 30 Alice.
2 00 Beth, Sut, Pam, Pryd a Ble?
2 20 Ffalabalam.
2 35-2.55 Hwnt Ac Yma.
3 20 The Making of Britain.
3 50 In Search of the Wild Asparagus.
4 15 *A Plus 4.*
4 45 Ffalabalam.
4 55 Deri Deg.
5 00 Gwaed Ar Y Dagrau.
5 35 Bewitched.
6 00 Brookside.
6 30 Peppino.
7 00 Newyddion Saith.
7 30 Cerdded Afon.
8 05 Colea.
8 35 Dranoeth Y Ffair: Penawdau Newyddion.
9 05 Fragile Earth — Selve *Verde: Central American* Rain Forest.
10 05-12 "Confidence" (1979 Hungarian film about a couple's *relationship, trust* and survival during WW2): Ildiko Bansagi and Peter Andoria.

TSW

6 15-9.25 Good Morning.
9 30 *For Schools.*
12 00 The Little Green Man.
12 10 Mooncat & Co.
12 30 The Sullivans.
1 00 News: Local News.
1 30 The Love Boat.
2 30 Daytime.
3 00 Gems.
3 30 Sons and Daughters.
4 00 The Little Green Man.
4 15 The Moomins.
4 20 Sooty.
4 40 Words, Words, Words.
5 00 Dangermouse.
5 15 Gus Honeybun.
5 20 *Crossroads.*
5 45 News.
6 00 Today South West.
6 30 Gardens for All.
7 00 Benson.
7 30 Street Hawk — new action adventure series, starring Rex Smith.
8 30 Minder, rpt.
9 30 TV Eye.
10 00 News: Local News.
10 35 The Yellow Rose.
11 30 The Body on Three Floors —unusual exploration of play styles in both animals and humans.
12 30 *Postscript.*
12 35 Weather; Shipping.

Channel

9 30 For Schools.
12 00-5.15 As TSW.
5 15 The Beverly Hillbillies.
5 45 News.
6 00 Channel Report.
6 30 Crossroads.
6 55 Home Cookery Club.
7 05 Benson.
7 30-11.30 As TSW.
11 30 Rock of the 70s.
12 05 News & Weather in French: Weather.

Open University

BBC 2 TV: 6.30 a.m. M101. 6.55-7.20 S101. 12.55 p.m.-1.20 P542. 11.30 p.m. Weekend Outlook. 11.35 T291. 12-12.30 AD208.

Radio 4 VHF: 11.30 p.m. A203. 11.50-12 Music.

Radio 3 VHF: 6.35 a.m.-6.55 M101.

WORLD SERVICE RADIO

6 a.m. Newsdesk. 7 World News. 7.9 Twenty-four *Hours.* 7.30 Short Takes. 7.45 Network U.K. 8 World News. 8.9 Reflections. 8.15 Country Music Profile. 8.30 John Peel. 9 World News. 9.9 British Press Review. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. *9.45 Monitor.* 10 News. 10.1 Handel and the Oratorio. 10.30 Yes, Minister. 11 World News. 11.9 News about Britain. 11.15 New Ideas. 11.25 The Week in Wales.

12 noon Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Top Twenty. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1 World News. 1.9 Twenty-four Hours. 1.30 Network U.K. 1.45 *Kicking up the* Sawdust. 2 Outlook. 2.15 Out On the Floor. 3 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 The Pleasure's Yours. 3.50 The *Gold Cup.* 4 World News. 4.9 Commentary. 4.15 Assignment. 4.45 The World Today. 5 World News. 5.9 Meridian. 5.40 The Week in Wales.

8 p.m. World News. 9.15 A Jolly Good Show. 10 World News. 10.9 The World Today. 10.25 The Week in Wales. 10.30 *Financial News.* 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11 World News. 11.0 Commentary. 11.15 Merchant Navy. 11.30 Meridian.

12 midnight World News. 12.9 News about Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Mainstream. 1 News. 1.1 Outlook. 1.30 Medicine in the Third World. 1.45 Ulster Newsletter. 1.50 In the Meantime. 2 World News. 2.9 British Press Review. 2.15 Sins of Old Age. 2.30 The Elements of Music. 3 World News. 3.9 News about Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 Business Matters. 4 Newsdesk. 4.30 Country Music Profile. 5.45 The World Today.

RADIO

FOUR

5 55 on l/w Shipping.
6 00 News Briefing.
6 10 Farming Today.
6 25 Prayer for the Day.
6 30 Today.
9 00 News.
9 05 They'd None of 'em Be *Missed—centenary celebration of the first performance of "The Mikado",* rpt.
30 The Living World, rpt.
10 00 Medicine Now, rpt.
10 30 Morning Story.
10 15 An Act of Worship.
11 00 Analysis — Third World Take-off, rpt.
11 48 History Reflected — new series presented by John Carroll looking at famous people and events (1: Mary, *Queen of Scots.*
12 00 You and Yours.
12 27 Just a Minute—comedy. Repeat.
12 55 Weather.
1 00 The World at One.
1 40 The Archers.
1 55 on l/w Shipping.
2 00 Woman's Hour, introduced by Dilly Barlow.
3 00 "Child's Play"—play by Tony Robinson, about the best and the worst bits of *the pregnancy and early* parenthood of Mike (David Rossi) and Felicity (Carole Nimmons).
4 00 Enquire Within.
4 10 Bookshelf, rpt.
4 40 Story Time—"Miss Mole" (9).
5 00 PM (5.50 on l/w Shipping).
5 55 Weather.
6 00 News; Financial News.
6 30 Raymond Chandler in Hollywood, rpt.
7 00 News.
7 05 The Archers.
7 20 Any Answers?
7 40 International Assignment.
8 10 Pride of the Place—last part: Kentish Town.
8 40 Profile.
9 00 Does He Take Sugar? Presented by John Mills.
9 30 Jancis Robinson, rpt.
9 45 *Kaleidoscope, presented by* Christopher Bigsby.
10 15 Book at Bedtime: "The Green Man" (9).
10 30 The World Tonight.
11 15 Financial World Tonight.
11 30 Today in Parliament.
12 00-12.15 News, Weather.
12 33 Shipping forecast.

VHF: 9.5 a.m.-10.45 & 11-12 For Schools. 1.55 p.m. Listening Corner. 2-3 For Schools. 11 p.m. Study on 4: The State of the Vatican. *11.30-12 Open University.* 12.30 a.m.-1.10 Night-time Schools.

THREE

6 55 Weather.
7 00 News.
7 05 Morning Concert (8-8.5 News).
9 00 News.
9 05 This Week's Composer: Mendelssohn.
10 00 Parry's Symphony No. 5 (The English).
10 35 Frescobaldi: Robert Woolley (harpsichord), rpt.
10 55 BBC SO conducted by Günther Herbig, with soloists: Weber, attrib. Mozart *and Tchaikovsky* (11.45-12.5 Six Continents, rpt.)
1 00 News.
1 05 Bristol Concert, from St. George's Church: Tamas Vasary (piano) plays Beethoven's Sonata in C and Chopin's Ballade No. 1.
2 00 Monteverdi: Vespers of *1610* (Basil Lam edition). Repeat.
3 30 Dvorak's Quartet in F (The American), played by the Orlando String Quartet, rpt.
3 55 Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 27 and Strauss's Symphonic Poem Don Juan, played by *Emil Gilels* (piano) and the Saar Radio SO, conducted by Serge Baudo. Saar Radio Recording.
4 55 News.
5 00 Mainly for Pleasure, presented by Fritz Spiegl.
6 30 Bandstand, rpt.
7 05 Piano Recital: Noemy Belinkaya plays Brahms's Three Intermezzi and Lord Berners' Trois petites *marches funèbres.* Repeat.
7 45 London SO, from the Barbican Hall, with soloist Salvatore Accardo (violin), conducted by Claudio Abbado play the opening concert of the Mahler, Vienna and the 20th Century Festival: Ligeti's Lontano, Berg's Violin Concerto and Mahler's Symphony No. 1 (8.30-8.50 The Old Age of My Youth (2), from the Journal of Marie Bashkirtseff).
10 00 Music in Our Time, introduced by Stephen Pruslin: John Woolrich's Harlequinade, Anthony *Powers'* Another part of the Island, and Oliver Knussen's Ocean de Terre. Elaine Barry (soprano), with Lontano, conducted by Odaline de la Martinez.
10 55 Sonatas for Viola (Paul Coletti) and Piano (Peter Evans): Mendelssohn's Sonata in C and Shostakovich's Sonata, Op. 147.
11 57-12 News.

TWO

4 00 Colin Berry.
6 00 Ray Moore.
8 05 Ken Bruce.
10 30 Jimmy Young.
1 05 David Jacobs.
2 00 Gloria Hunniford's Gold Cup Special (Racing from Cheltenham for the 2.15, 2.50 & 3.20 races).
4 00 David Hamilton.
6 00 John Dunn.
8 00 Wally Whyton.
9 55 Sports Desk.
10 00 The Impressionists.
10 30 Star Sound Extra.
11 00 Brian Matthew.
1 00 Bill Rennells.
3 00-4 Harry "Sweets" Edison (trumpeter).

VHF: 10 p.m.-12 As Radio 1.

ONE

6 00 Adrian John.
7 00 Mike Read.
9 00 Simon Bates.
12 00 Gary Davies (12.30 Newsbeat).
2 30 Steve Wright.
5 00 Bruno Brookes (5.30 Newsbeat).
7 30 *Janice* Long.
10 00-12 Into the Music.

WAVELENGTHS

Radio 1: 1089 kHz, 275 m. 1053, 285. **Radio 2: 909, 693, 433.** (Radio 1/2 VHF: 88-90·2 MHz).
Radio 3: 1215, 247. (90·5-92·5).
Radio 4: 200, 1500. Greater London 720, 417. (92-94·5, 97·1).
World Service: 648, 463.
Radio London: 1458, 206. (94.9).
LBC: 1152, 261. (97.3).
Capital: 1548, 194. (95.8).

THEATRES AND CINEMAS

OPERA & BALLET

* MATINEE TODAY

BLOOMSBURY THEATRE. 387 9629. CAMDEN FESTIVAL 1985. 21-30 March, 7.30 p.m. LA FINTA SEMPLICE, Mozart. Full 1st perf.

COLISEUM. S 836 3161. C.C. 240 5258.

ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA
Tont. 7.0 XERXES. Tomor. Wed. 7.30 FIDELIO. Sat. 7.30 COUNT ORY. Also Booking: The Bartered Bride. C.C. Ticketmaster 01-379 6433.

LOGAN HALL. 01-388 1394 CC 6433. CAMDEN FESTIVAL 1985. British premiere—concert version. Tom. 20 March 7.30 p.m. NERONE. Boito. Abbey Opera. Thur. 21 March 7.30 p.m. FRIEDENSTAG Strauss. Chelsea Opera Group.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE. COVENT GARDEN. Box: 01-240 1066/1911. Access, Visa, Diners' Club. 65 amphi seats available on the day from 10 a.m. on the day.

THE ROYAL BALLET
Tom. 7.30. The Firebird Return to the Strange Land/Number Three (New Order Ballet) Sat. 1.30. The Sleeping Beauty. Tues. 7.30. Mason. Wed. 7.30. The Firebird. Different Drummer/Facade.
Ballet Casting Info. 01-240 9815.

THE ROYAL OPERA
Tomor., Mon. 7.30, I Capuleti e i Montecchi. Sat. 8.0 (please note later starting time), ends 11.20 p.m. Samson (New Production).

SADLER'S WELLS. 278 8916. Until March 30. Eves. 7.30.
BALLET RAMBERT
Prog. 1 until Sat.
278 0855 for Theatrecall & future prog. Grp Sales 930 6123.

CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL. Barbican Centre. E.C.2. 01-628 8795/638 8891. Tont. 7.45 MAHLER FESTIVAL. London Symphony Orchestra. Claudio Abbado (cond.) Salvatore Accardo (violin). LIGETI Lontano. BERG Violin Concerto. MAHLER Symphony No. 1.

QUEEN ELIZABETH HALL. 01-928 3191. CC 928 8800. Tomorrow 7.45 p.m. LONDON BACH ORCHESTRA. Pierre Grisari. Michael Hoffman. Concerto Grosso by Corelli & Handel. Violin Concertos by Bach and Vivaldi. Mozart. Eine kleine Nachtmusik.

THEATRES

ADELPHI 836 7611/240 7913/3. C.C. 741 9999/836 7358. *Group sales 930 6123.*
THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL "SENSATIONAL WILL BECOME THE SHOW OF THE YEAR." D. Exp.
ME AND MY GIRL
ROBERT LINDSAY
"An absolutely inspired performance." Fin. Times.
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Nightly at 7.30. Mats Wed 2.30 & Sat. 4.45 & 8.15.
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PATRICK MOWER "Dashing rakish." Gdn.
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ROWAN ATKINSON in
THE NERD
by LARRY SHUE
Directed by MIKE OCKRENT
"An ambulatory Amityville Horror . . . a wonderful display of grotesque comedy." Gdn. "RIB-SHATTERINGLY FUNNY." T. Out. "BLISSFULLY LUDICROUS." F.T.
LAST WEEK—MUST END SATURDAY

ALDWYCH THEATRE. 01-836 6404/0641. C.C. 379 6233. Reduced Price Previews from March 22. Evenings at 7.30. Sats 4.0 (ex. March 23) & 8.0. Mats Wed. 2.30. OPENS APRIL 1.
PAUL EDDINGTON & FELICITY KENDAL
SIMON CADELL in
TOM STOPPARD'S
JUMPERS
with ANDREW SACHS
Directed by PETER WOOD.

AMBASSADORS. 836 6111. C.C. 741 9999. Grp Sales 930 6123. Eves. 8.0. Sat. 5.30 & 8.30.
LITTLE THEATRE OF COMEDY
KELLY MONTIETH
IN ONE

APOLLO VICTORIA. 828 8665. C.C. 630 6262. Group Sales 930 6123.
STARLIGHT EXPRESS
Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER
Lyrics by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN
"A MUSICAL THAT SURPASSES ANYTHING AROUND IN EVERY DIMENSION." D. Exp.
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BOX OFFICE OPEN 10 a.m.-8 p.m. A limited number of seats available for Tues. mat., limited to two per person. Some £2 standing room tickets are available ½-hour before every performance for the unwaged and students.

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by arrangement with ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER
"THE BEST MUSICAL OF THE YEAR." Int. Herald Tribune.
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Eves. 8.0. Mats Wed. 3.0. Sat. 4.0.
MUST CLOSE MARCH 23
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BARBICAN THEATRE MOTHER COURAGE by Brecht. "A magnificent revival." F. Times. Today 2.00 & 7.30. Final perfs. 20-21 Mar. (runs 3hrs 10). WHERE THERE'S A WILL . . . in aid of the Ethiopian Appeal. Sun. 17 March, 7.00 p.m. Day seats £5 from 10 a.m.
THE PIT. BREAKING THE SILENCE by Poliakoff today 2.00 & 7.30. Final perfs. 20-21 Mar (runs 3hrs). THE DEVILS, final perfs. 15-19 March. Booking Now Open for HAMLET, RICHARD III, HENRY V.

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THE REAL THING
by Tom Stoppard.
Starring CHRISTOPHER TIMOTHY & PATRICIA BRAKE. Eves. 7.45 (Sat. 8 p.m.) Thurs. & Sat. Mats at 2.30. Seats £1.50-£5.40 plus concessions.

COMEDY. 930 2578. CC 839 1438. Eves. 8.0. Fri. & Sat. 6 & 8.45.
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2nd FINGER LICKIN' YEAR!
"I LOVED IT — HOPE IT RUNS FOR 1,000 YEARS." Time Out.
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CRITERION. S. 930 3216. C.C. 379 6565/741 9999/379 6433. Groups 836 3962. Evgs. 8.0. Mats. Thurs. 2.30. Sat. 5.30 & 8.30.
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PETER BALLIS
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OTHER PLACES
by HAROLD PINTER.
Directed by KENNETH IVES.
"The acting by Colin Blakely . . . Dorothy Tutin and Susan Engel has no equal in London." S. Times. "A Kind of Alaska and One for the Road are indisputably masterpieces." "An rewarding an evening of theatre as to be found anywhere now in London." S. Tel. "Spellbinding." Times.
Evgs Mon.-Thurs. 7.30. Fri./Sat. 6.0 and 8.30.

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A new Comedy by RICHARD HARRIS
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Standard Drama Award 1984.
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Eves 8.0. mats today & Sat. 3.0.
MARGARET WOLFIT
THE MILL ON THE FLOSS
"Genuinely actual performance." Stage.

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CHAPS UNDER
THE COMEDY OF THE YEAR

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Directed by David Gilmore
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THE CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE PRODUCTION OF
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Directed by William Gaskill.
"Maggie Smith returns to our stage in glory." F. Times. "The most outstanding achievement was that of Joan Plowright." Standard. "William Gaskill's superb production." Punch. Evgs. 7.30. mats Wed. 2.30. Sat. 3.0.
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LAST 5 WEEKS.

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"FINGER-CLICKING GOOD." Std.
"THE BEST MUSICAL EVER WRITTEN." City Limits.
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LYRIC HAMMERSMITH. S CC 741 2311. Evgs 7.45. Mat. Thurs. 2.30. Sat. 4.0 LITTLE EYOLF by Ibsen with Cheryl Campbell, Anne Dyson, Paul Moriarty, Ronald Pickup and Diana Rigg. MUST END MARCH 30 MARCH 30.
LYRIC STUDIO: Evgs 8.0 A STATE OF AFFAIRS by Graham Swannell. Excellent acting." FT. "Knocks spots off most things in the West End." S. Times. "Very funny." Times. EXTENDED TO MARCH 30.

LYRIC. Shaftesbury Ave. 437 3686/7. CC 434 1050, 434 1550. Evgs. 8.0. Wed. Mats 3.0. Sats 5.30 & 8.30.
UNTIL MARCH 30
THE NATIONAL THEATRE PRODUCTION
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FOOL FOR LOVE
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Directed by Peter Gill.
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LYTTELTON. 928 2252. CC 928 5933 "S" (National Theatre's proscenium stage.) Today 3.00 (low price mat.) & 7.45, then March 28 to April 2 THE ROAD TO MECCA by Athol Fugard. Tomor. 7.45, then March 16 to 19 & April 3 & 4 SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER.

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THE LONGER YOU'LL WAIT.

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ANTHONY HOPKINS
SAMANTHA EGGAR ALAN DOBIE
COLIN FIRTH in
THE LONELY ROAD
by Arthur Schnitzler
Directed by Christopher Fettes
"TRIUMPHANT . . . A MASTERWORK." Guardian.
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MAXINE AUDLEY
AFTER THE BALL IS OVER
Directed by Maria Aitken
The new comedy by WILLIAM DOUGLAS HOME

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A New Comedy
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CHARLTON HESTON
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HERMAN WOUK'S
THE CAINE MUTINY COURT MARTIAL
"Heston . . . presents a chilling portrait of spiritual ruin. This is an actor of stature." S. Times.
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DIANE FLETCHER POLLY HEMINGWAY
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"STANLEY PRICE'S GOOD COMEDY A BRIGHT, ALERT, DEFTLY-OBSERVANT PLAY." Guardian.
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Directed by MICHAEL BLAKEMORE.

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BIRTHS

BARTER.—On March 8, in Hereford, to BARBARA (nee Howard) and ANDREW, a daughter (Hannah).

BYERS.—On March 13, at the Richard House, London, to LYDIA (née Dancer) and ROBIN, a daughter (Laura).

COBURN.—On March 12, to ANNE (née Oldham) and PETER, a daughter (Sarah Jane).

DARBY.—On March 13, at Hereford County Hospital, to RACHEL (née Goddard) and PETER, a son (Edward Charles Philbrick).

FASTHILL.—On March 10, to ANGELA (née Hickman) and PETER, a son (Thomas Patrick).

GRAY.—On March 12, to JOHANNA (née Mo) and DAVID, a daughter, a sister for Nellie.

HALL.—On March 12, at Shrewsbury, to JILL (née Stranger) and WILLIAM, a son (Michael James).

HARKER.—On March 12, to NICOLA (née Beaumont) and Andrew, a daughter.

JOHNSON.—On March 12, at St George's Hospital, London, to PENELOPE (née Barlow) and JOHN, a daughter (Sarah Elizabeth).

JONES.—On March 6, to ELIZABETH (née Castlow) and ALUN, a son (Roland William), brother to Amanda Eleanor and Olivia.

ILIFF.—On March 12, at Cuckfield Hospital, to AMANDA (née Ford) and NIGEL, a son (Harry Paul Clayton), brother for Katie.

KENNARD.—On March 12, to GAY and NIGEL, a daughter (Clover).

KINGHAM.—On Feb. 2, in MARLIN Ave (née Jensen) and ROBERT PAUL, a son (Oliver Paul Richard).

LINE.—On March 12, to ANNE (née Scrivener) and ROBERT, a daughter (Georgina), a sister for Elizabeth.

MICHALAS.—On March 8, to CAROLYN (née White) and GEORGE, a son (Michael).

MILLER.—On March 13, to KRYSTYNA and DOUGLAS, a daughter, first grandchild for Anna and the late Alexander Sokolow-Miller, in London, Poland, and to David Miller, late Bank of England and Andrew Miller, late of Sevenoaks, Kent.

OVERTON.—On March 12, in Hereford County Hospital, to AMANDA (née Clarke) and JAMES, twins, a sister and brother (Chloe and Dominic), for William and Jamie.

PULL.—On March 12, 1985, at Queen Charlotte's, to ANDREA and WILLIAM, a boy.

REYNOLDS.—On March 11, in Cambridge, to SHEENA (née McCall) and PAUL, a son (Ewan), a daughter.

SKOLBY.—On March 9, at Worcester Royal Infirmary, to CHRISTINE (née Hedges) and HENRIK, a daughter (Charlotte Anne-Lise).

THOMAS.—On March 13, to SUE (née Campbell) and HUGH, a daughter (Harriet).

WATT.—On March 12, at Perth Royal Infirmary, to SANDY and IAN, a daughter (Laura), a sister for Amanda. Both well.

MARRIAGES

GOLDEN WEDDINGS

ARCHIBALD—LEVETT.—On March 14, 1935, HUGH to DORA.

EVEN—CUTTING.—On March 14, 1935, at St Mark's, Hendon, Dr RICHARD to PHYLLIS. Now at 25, Thames Side, Staines.

DEATHS

ADLAM. — On March 11, 1985, peacefully in hospital, WALTER JOSEPH ADLAM, M.P.S., F.S.M.C., F.B.O.A., aged 83 years, late of Coronation, 64, King George's Avenue, Worthing, husband of the late Doris Marjorie and father of Basil, Eileen and Richard. Funeral service and cremation at Kent's Long Crematorium on Monday, March 18, at 1.30 p.m. No flowers, but if desired donations to Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind, Commonwealth House, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH16 3AZ.

APTED.—On March 11, 1985, peacefully at Milton Hospice, Warwick, NANCIE, loved and loving wife of Charles and precious mother of Peter and Paul. Funeral at 9.45 a.m., Friday, March 15, St Mary's, Milton, Banbury, and after at Oakley Wood Crematorium, Warwick. Donations if desired to Milton Hospice.

ASBOLITH.—On March 11, suddenly at home, BETTY ASBOLITH, aged 66, dearly loved daughter of the late Mr and Mrs J. B. S. Asbolith, of Halifax, a dear sister of Mary and Richard and young aunt of Amy, John and Sally. Funeral service in Beer Parish Church on Tuesday, March 19, at 12 noon. Family flowers only, please. Donations for her memory may be given to Beer Parish Church.

BALKWILL.—On March 12, 1985, in Hereford, as the result of a fall from a ladder, Major Richard BALKWILL, Royal Artillery, beloved husband of Elizabeth, the loving father of Melissa, Caroline, and Nicholas, and a son of Mr and Mrs N. C. Balkwill, of Shrewsbury, and brother to Roger. Funeral arrangements W. R. R. Pugh & Sons, Shrewsbury, 0743 4446.

BARNES.—On March 13, suddenly at St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey, BETTY DOREEN, widow of KENNETH BARNES, dearly loved mother of Jennifer, Jonathan and Nicholas, and grandmother of Emma and Jessica. Much loved aunt and great-aunt. Enquiries: Tonbridge 353534.

BENTHAM.—On March 12, 1985, peacefully at home, KATHLEEN FRANCES BENTHAM, aged 92 years, dearly loved Lowin and friend. Funeral service on Tuesday, March 19, 11 a.m., at St Philips Church, Reigate. Family flowers only, but donations may be sent to The Matthews Funeral Centre, Vineyard Street, London E16 1LZ.

BOGGON.—On March 13, peacefully, MOLLY DUNGET, widow of Ronald H. Boggon, M.S., F.R.C.S., mother of Jonathan Richard. Cremation at Eastern Avenue, on March 19, at 11 a.m. Inquiries to F. J. Lyons & Son, F.D., tel. Ilford 01-554 2646.

BOOTH.—On March 12, suddenly, Dorothy Kitty of Oak Mount, Ruislip. Family flowers only. Any inquiries to Ruislip Motor Hse, Ltd, The Railway Parade, Ruislip, tel. 2085.

BORWICK.—On March 10, Katrina, dearly beloved wife of George. Funeral private. No letters or flowers.

BRAY.—On March 11, 1985, in Bournemouth, Robert Willie Bray, O.St.J., B.E.M. Remembered with deep affection by his wife Rosemary, sister Ethel, Elizabeth and Frank, Rosamund and Paul.

BRIGGS.—On March 11, peacefully at Brendon Nursing Home, Winchester, GEORGE DAVID SINCLAIR BRIGGS, beloved father of Anne and Peter, formerly General Practitioner of Highgate, London. Funeral service at St Swithun's Church, Martyrworthy, Winchester, on Monday, March 18, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only, please. Donations in lieu to Brendoncare, Park Road, Winchester.

BUFFARD.—On March 12, peacefully at Nazareth House, Dorothy, aged 95 years, dearly loved widow of the Rev. Frank Buffard, mother of Jean, Betty and Molly.

BURR.—On March 12, peacefully at Thameside, Henley-on-Thames, Dorothy, in her 100th year, a favourite aunt, great-aunt and a good friend. Funeral Tuesday, March 19, 2.30 p.m. at Remenham Church, followed by private. Love flowers to Tomalin, New Street, Henley, or donations if desired to Action Research for the Crippled Child, Vincent House, Summerfield Road, Horsham.

CALVER.—On Tuesday, March 12, 1985, at the Lister Hospital, Stevenage, LYNN MERVYN CALVER, aged 79 years, of Clarendon, 12, Milestone Road, Knebworth, Herts, beloved husband of Mary and father of Mervyn, Jill and Lynn and much devoted grandfather. Funeral service to be held at St Martins Church, Knebworth, on Wednesday, March 20, at 12 noon, followed by private cremation at Fetton Crematorium. All flowers and inquiries to W. Austin & Sons (0438) 316623.

CASWELL.—On March 8, peacefully in her sleep after a long and painful illness, Mary (Ivy). Funeral Putney Vale Crematorium, Monday, March 18, 1.15 p.m. No flowers, but donations to the British Heart Foundation, 102, Queen Anne Street, London, W1M 0BD.

COPAS.—On March 12, died peacefully while resting at Kings Cognize Farm, Wick, aged 74, beloved wife of Tom, dear grandmother of Tom and Greg, dear mother-in-law of Brenda and Thelma and Sarah in Tanya Fenella. Funeral Thursday, 3rd Sept. She loved us all so much. Private cremation, followed by funeral service at Cookham Dean Church at 2.30 p.m. Friday, March 15. Family flowers only. Donations to Cancer Research, if desired, c/o the National Westminster Bank, Maidenhead High Street.

CROFTS.—On March 12, 1985, peacefully in hospital, ARTHUR (Gerry), aged 80. Will be sadly missed by all family and friends. Funeral service at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip, on Tuesday, March 19, at 2.15 p.m. Flowers and inquiries to J. A. Massey & Sons, 16-18, Lowlands Road, Harrow, tel 01-422 1688.

DOBBS.—On March 13, peacefully at Thame Dillon Hospital after a short illness, Marjorie (née Charlton), aged 90, beloved wife of Jimmy. No flowers.

EVANS.—On March 13, peacefully at home at 29, Great Pulteney Street, Bath, MARY STEWART, widow of Col Sir ARTHUR EVANS. Funeral private.

FERGUSSON. — On March 12, 1985, in Eastbourne, peacefully after a long illness borne with great courage and dignity, WALTER CHRYSTY, very much loved husband of Laura and greatly loved by his children Doreen and Douglas, his three grandchildren and family. Private cremation, and at his request in lieu of flowers donations may be sent to the Salvation Army, c/o Adela Funeral Homes, 45, South Street, Eastbourne, E Sussex, tel 0323 643999.

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MPs FURY AT MoD 'SECRECY' ON WASTE

By VALERIE ELLIOTT
Political Staff

MPs were incensed last night following what they believe to be a deliberate lack of co-operation from the Defence Ministry over vital information relating to the level of defence stores and stocks.

The Select Committee on Public Accounts, which is looking at possible waste in government departments, was due yesterday to question Sir Clive Whitmore, permanent secretary at the Ministry, on the precise level of defence stories it held.

They suspect that a Defence Ministry internal report on the same issue would reveal that millions of pounds are being wasted on equipment orders.

The MPs are particularly suspicious following the evidence of an independent Parliamentary inquiry, which showed that after a fire at the equipment valued at about £169 Donnington military base, when million was destroyed, the Ministry replaced it only with stocks valued at about £50 million.

Thus, yesterday's meeting, planned several months ago, was expected to deal with this concern.

The 15 M Ps on the committee had prepared their questions in advance and were anxious to ask Sir Clive, a former private secretary to Mrs Thatcher, about the matter.

Veto suspicion

But a late letter of evidence from Defence Ministry officials on this issue, referring to an internal report on defence stocks, forced the MPs to abandon their line of questioning.

They considered there was no point pursuing their interview with Sir Clive if information contained in the internal department report was not made available to them.

MPs last night expressed the view that Sir Clive, an experienced civil servant who was a leading figure in the Ponting affair, knew that the committee would expect access to the report and therefore believed that Defence Ministers had vetoed it.

Nor did they conceal their disatisfaction with the situation at yesterday's meeting.

They rebuked Sir Clive on two counts — the late arrival of the letter containing new evidence and referring to the internal Defence Ministry report, and failure to produce the report.

Sir Clive 'dismayed'

Sir Clive was described as being "dismayed" by yesterday's meeting but explained that he could not release the report without seeking permission from higher authorities.

In this case authority would have to come from Mr John Stanley, Defence Procurement Minister.

Sir Clive is expected to reply in writing to the committee about the report. But it was suggested last night that if his response was negative, the committee would call Mr Stanley himself to explain.

WHEEL-CLAMP CHARGES MAY RISE TO £25

By Our Transport Correspondent

People whose cars are "clamped" on the wheel by the police may soon have to pay £25 instead of £19·50 to get their vehicles released, Mrs Chalker, Transport Minister, said yesterday.

The Home Office, which fixes the penalty, is to be consulted. The tow-away charge of £45 for vehicles removed by police is also likely to rise.

Wheel-clamps are being used only in Central London as part of a Government experiment. So far 77,000 vehicles have been clamped at a rate of 700 a week. About 65 per cent. were for parking on yellow lines and the rest for offences at parking meters or for parking in bays reserved for local residents.

CHANCERY MASTER

Master Chamberlain, 71, has been appointed Chief Master of the Chancery Division in succession to Chief Master Heward who retires on April 25.

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By JAMES WIGHTMAN

Heath still bitter

that change - being towards Margaret Thatcher."

Another leading member of Mrs Thatcher's campaign said: "The truth is that Ted simply found it shocking that anyone should stand against him.

"He felt it quite outrageous that a colleague should show such disloyalty, as he saw it."

Mr Heath's statement that he had learned of Mrs Thatcher's challenge from a newspaper was also disputed.

It was said that she had visited him in his office at Westminster and told him that she would run against him after she had failed to persuade Sir Keith Joseph to be a candidate.

'Sour grapes'

Mr George Gardiner, MP for Reigate, who was a member of Mrs Thatcher's campaign team and later wrote a book about her election, said last night: "This is more than sour grapes by Mr Heath. Clearly the bile has been fermenting inside him for 10 years. But he has rewritten what happened.

"After Sir Keith Joseph decided not to run, Mrs Thatcher went to Mr Heath and told him that she would. If there was anything in the Press before that, it could only have been speculation.

"Also, there was no big champagne celebration.

"After Mrs Thatcher defeated Mr Heath in the first ballot she returned to her work; leading the Conservative opposition on a Bill in committee.

"After she won the leadership on the second ballot one bottle of champagne was drunk."

Sir Alec's example

Mrs Jill Knight, MP for Edgbaston, said: "Mr Heath might usefully consider the behaviour of the former Sir Alec Douglas-Home when he was ousted as party leader.

"Sir Alec always held his tongue and kept his personal dignity as well as his loyalty to the party he had led."

Mr Neil Hamilton, MP for Tatton, commented: "It is pathetic that Mr Heath seems to be totally inured in the past and is quite unable to come to terms with the fact that his own style of leadership made opportunity to get rid of him 10 years ago.

Mr Heath was asked in the interview if he was hurt to find Mrs Thatcher standing against him for the leadership.

He replied: "Well of course, when I open a newspaper and read that this is going to happen and she hasn't even told me."

Asked if he had any warning of the challenge, he stated: "Of course people had been discussing whether there was going to be a challenge.

"Afterwards, when one learnt how the campaign had been conducted against me, then obviously one wasn't really pleased about it, nor did I think it had been carried on in the way of colleagues.

'Untrue and unfair'

"I think that the general campaign organised by her people for example I had said I was going to be leader of the Conservative party for life, and it didn't matter what other people thought and so on, was all grossly untrue, quite apart from being completely unfair."

Mr Heath said that in previous leadership campaigns "We didn't carry on in great television and radio campaigns and Press campaigns behind the scenes, which was what happened on this occasion.

"You can say I was simple, and was taken unawares and I ought to have realised all of these things.

"But I'm afraid I had standards, having worked with colleagues for four years.

"We never had the great outbreak of Cabinet leaks which is now commonplace today and we didn't have civil servants saying they must tell the public what was going on because the Government didn't."

Mr Heath, who gave Mrs Thatcher her first Cabinet job, as Education Secretary in 1970, added: "No, it was an entirely different relationship, and I think it was that which hurt more than anything else."

He said that he accepted that former colleagues had joined Mrs Thatcher's cabinet.

"I understand that, of course. They decided to accept office so they work in the team."

Mr Heath has often made known in private his bitterness towards Mrs Thatcher over the leadership succession.

But he has never been as publicly critical of her as he has in his television interview.

He has been a persistent critic over the years since he lost the leadership, but has confined himself largely to policy matters, especially over unemployment and public expenditure restraint.

'Bad loser' claim

The Prime Minister has always taken a philosophically relaxed view of Mr Heath's criticism, believing that it is probably counter-productive for him.

But there are many Conservatives, at Westminster and in the constituencies, who believe that Mr Heath is acting like a bad loser and being disloyal to the present leader.

Mr Heath's interview is part of a more prominent role by him recently.

In another television interview last night he put forward "an alternative budget," suggesting measures for Mr Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to bring forward on Tuesday.

The day before he had made a public speech in which he criticised President Reagan's "space wars" defence policy, research for which the Prime Minister has given her declared support.

Today he is expected to criticise in a speech in Leicester, the Government's attitude towards trade unions.

Mr Heath denies that he has any hopes of becoming Conservative leader again someday.

But he has indicated over the years that he might be interested in being a member of a coalition Government.

In the interview to be broadcast on Saturday he said that his political enemies have been wrongly describing his motives.

He stated: "The fact that I have opposed principles and policies and actions which I believe to be wrong is said to have happened solely because I lost the election [for leader].

"This is quite untrue. If I'd really wanted to cause trouble, then we would have had much more fun."

Loyalty important

"No, the truth is that, of course, I disagree with many of the characteristics of the present government, and its style and its policies.

"Loyalty is very important, but you have to decide what it is loyalty to. I think it's very important to be loyal to one's principles and to be loyal to what one understands to be the party's principles and policies as well.

"Now if those who are leading the party or in positions of power in the party, or members of the Government, depart from that, one is perfectly entitled to criticise them. It's always happened and there are many examples in the past where there has been criticism inside the party.

"You can't carry on a party by dictat and by expecting to have a lot of lackeys on the benches who'll just do what you want and vote how you want."

The moves to remove Mr Heath as leader began after the Government which he had led since 1970 was defeated in the General Election in February, 1974 — seen as a defeat for him at the hands of the striking miners — and after he failed to lead a return to office in the General Election of October that year.

Mr Heath withdrew from the contest and stood down as Leader on February 4 after being defeated by Mrs Thatcher in the first but inconclusive ballot involving Conservative M Ps.

The voting was Mrs Thatcher 130, Mr Heath 119, Mr Hugh Fraser 16.

Mrs Thatcher won the leadership after a second ballot on February 11, securing the required clear majority over the combined total of her four rivals.

The result was Mrs Thatcher 146, Mr William Whitelaw 79, Sir Geoffrey Howe 19, Mr James Prior 19 and Mr John Peyton 11.

STATE OIL

By ROLAND GRIBBEN

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small successor body, but with considerably less powers.

The new organisation, the Government Oil and Pipelines Agency, will be responsible for selling oil the Government takes instead of royalty payments, retain custody of participation agreements with the oil companies and manage the Government's pipeline system.

Legislation will be introduced shortly to scrap the corporation and the Government hopes it will be on the statute book by October, but it could take some time to complete negotiations with oil companies on the new set-up.

The corporation has been selling 800,000 barrels a day, equivalent to 40 million tonnes a year, at spot-market-related prices, currently $1 a barrel less than the official North Sea price of $28·65.

In future oil companies will handle all the oil they produce.

Bigger oil companies are well equipped to cope, but the North Sea minnows have relied heavily on the corporation.

The decision to scrap the corporation has been a closely-guarded secret, but strong hints have been dropped that changes were on the way because BNOC was regarded as a "busted flush."

Mr Buchanan-Smith in his statement said that the major change in the structure of the oil market away from term contracts and towards short-term deals was unlikely to be reversed in the "near future."

In these circumstances the corporation could avoid the risk of losses only be switching to a market-related pricing policy.

"Such a system would mean that BNOC could no longer contribute to stability in the market.

"The Government has concluded that this shifts the balance of advantage decisively against the retention of BNOC in its present form.

"I see no advantage in retaining a public sector body to operate on that basis," said Mr Buchanan-Smith.

Labour anger

Labour's spokesman, Mr Rowland's, denounced the decision as "a disgraceful kick in the teeth" to some of the most professional oil traders in this country.

Later, the Shadow Energy Secretary, Mr Orme, said in a statement: "The proposed abolition of BNOC is the final act of vandalism by this Government.

"Despite what was said in the Commons, the real powers of operation will be transferred not to the Department of Energy, but to the Prime Minister's policy unit, because they played a part in these dismantling proposals.

"The Government have conceded both to pressure from their backbenchers for privatisation and dismantling, and also to pressure from the oil companies."

The key arguments for retaining the corporation, headed by Lord Croham, a former senior civil servant, have been that it provided security of supply in the event of a Middle East oil crisis and added stability in the market.

But Government thinking now is that neither of the arguments are valid.

There are alternative powers in the Energy Act which will ensure continued control over North Sea oil in a crisis, while BNOC is too small and vulnerable to cope with oil market pressures.

An estimated 50-60 per cent of oil is now traded at what are now as spot or free market levels and control of the trade has passed from oil producers to the market place.

The new organisation will be still handling an estimated ten million tonnes of "royalty" oil for the Government a year. It will sell the supplies at market prices.

Yesterday's Commons announcement came on the eve of a debate of a critical Energy Select Committee report on the Government's pricing policy.

The report says the "collaboration with the OPEC cartel, tax cuts financed from windfall North Sea revenue, and the cushioning of oil comoanies from market realities are all secondary to the long-term well being of the UK and its Western allies."

Market confusion

Oil markets in Europe and the United States were quickly thrown into confusion by the Government announcement as buyers moved to the sidelines.

North Sea Brent oil fell 35 cents a barrel in Rotterdam trading before showing signs of recovery.

Corporation staff reacted angrily to the announcement last night.

Mr David Cartwright, spokesman for members of APEX, the white collar union representing half the staff, said that employees had been taking comfort in earlier Government assurances that there was a continuing need for the corporation.

The end of the corporation would mean Britain is the only net oil exporter without a State oil company.

The financial losses it has suffered had been a "direct result of government policy."

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48 DETAINED IN PRAGUE RAID

Czechoslovak police detained 48 people in a raid on a private home in Prague last Monday and were still holding 11, emigre sources in Vienna said yesterday.

The sources said those held had met in the home of an artist in the outskirts of Prague to watch film tapes of events in the late 1960s in Czechoslovakia. Under Czechoslovak law police can hold a person for two periods of 48 hours without charge.—Reuter.

ARMS TALKS RESUME

By DAVID ADAMSON
Diplomatic Correspondent in Geneva

THE United States delegation at the arms control talks in Geneva expected the Soviet Union to field its full team at today's meeting, an American said yesterday.

He declined to speculate on why only the Soviet chief delegate, Mr Victor Karpov, had been present at Tuesday's first meeting, when all three American negotiators attended.

It was clear that despite having talked for nearly three hours the negotiators had not cleared up the question of the format for the negotiations. That will be the main subject at today's meeting.

The spokesman insisted that the American delegation did not expect problems over procedure and believed that the teams would divide up into three groups before long.

The groups will deal with defensive space weapons, long-range missiles, and medium-range missiles.

The Soviet Union is insisting on what it calls a "rigid interrelationship" between the three groups.

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DEATHS (Continued)

FIELD.—On March 12, at Morrision Hospital, after a short illness, JOAN MARIA, formerly of B.H.S., wife of the late THOMAS FIELD, sister of Nancy and Paul Edwards, mother of Adrian, Helen and Sarah-Jane. Funeral service on Monday, March 18, at All Saints' Church, Ottershaw, at 2 p.m. Midweek by cremation at Swanses Crematorium at 3 p.m. Family flowers only, but donations in lieu if so desired to St Peter's Hospice, Mr B. Simpson, Lloyds Bank, 2nd Street, Swansea.

FOX.—On March 11, 1985, GEORGE REGINALD WASHINGTON, of Basing House, Haines Dixon, beloved brother of Brenda Brady. Funeral service at St Johns Crematorium, Woking, on Tuesday, March 19, at 3 p.m. Flowers if desired to F. W. Paine, 103, High Street, Esher.

FRERE.—On March 12, peacefully after a short illness, DOROTHY EDITH CECILIA, aged 93 years, a dearly loved sister, aunt and great-aunt. Funeral service at St Peter's Church, Bexhill, on Monday, March 25, at 11.45 a.m., followed by cremation. Flowers and inquiries to Mummery, funeral directors, 31, Devonshire Road, Bexhill, tel. 0424 210418.

FRITH.—On March 12, peacefully, at home in Aldermaston in his 82nd year, LESLIE CECIL, beloved husband of Dora, father of Heather and Peter. Funeral at St Anne's, Aldermaston, Monday, March 18, 2 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations to the Chest and Heart Association, c/o Midland Bank, Aldermaston.

GARNER.—On March 12, 1985, at Maidstone, RUSSELL GARNER, of Langley, husband of the late Ruth Garner. Inquiries to S. A. Orsford Funeral Services, tel. Lancing 753160. R.I.P.

GILMORE.—On March 12, after 10 years' disablement in hospital, MARGARET (Gertie) FERGUSON GILMORE, M.A., T.C.D., Gold Medallist of St Mary Lodge, Dunsany Street, Dublin, loving and beloved wife of Charles Gilmore. Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Dublin, on Monday, March 18, at 12 noon. No flowers only to Rackham Funeral Service, Stanley Road, Dublin, or donations for Dr Barnardo's Society.

GODFREY.—On March 8, 1985, peacefully at her home in Orford, Eva May, widow of Jack. Cremation 12 noon, Tuesday, March 19, at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, near Gatwick.

GODFREY.—On Monday, March 11, at the Keswick Hospital, REGINALD FREDERICK (Dan), aged 80 years, FM. Sgt., R.A.F. (Rtd.), dearly loved husband of Marianne, of 4, Main Street, Braithwaite, Keswick, Cumbria.

GOUGH.—On Tuesday, March 12, after a long illness, beloved husband of Jean and very dear father of Jane and Ducky. Funeral at Rogate Friday, March 15, at 4 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations to Rogate Ward of Macmillan Cancer Relief Fund, King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Sussex, or to Marie Curie Foundation, 28, Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

HALSE.—On March 10, Dorothy, widow of GEORGE WHITFIELD HALSE, of Fleet, Hants, beloved mother of Valerie and Elizabeth and grandmother of Lolly, David and Ruth. Service to be held at Rowhill Crematorium, Friday, March 15, at 2 p.m.

HARTLEY.—On Sunday, March 10, peacefully, MARJORIE, wife of the late Dr J. BLAIR HARTLEY, of Manchester, and mother of Michael (deceased), Anne, Sheila and Jill. Service at Fareham Crematorium, Alderwood, Hampshire, on Monday, March 18, at 11.30 a.m.

HEDLEY-JONES.—On March 12, peacefully at home, VERNON, aged 73, dearly loved husband of Mary, father of Roger, Peter-in-law of Betty and dear grandfather of Sally and Timothy. Cremation at Tunbridge Wells on Tuesday, March 19, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to The British Heart Foundation, 102, Gloucester Place, London W1H 4DH. Thanksgiving service at Tunbridge Wells to be announced.

HERBERTSON.—On March 13, 1985, at home, The Ridgeway, SW19, ELLEN, devoted and dearly loved wife of the late J. J. W. HERBERTSON, beloved mother of Pamela and of Margaret Prentice. Funeral private. Please no flowers.

HIBBERT.—On March 12, 1985, peacefully at home, MAJ. HUGH THOMPSON HIBBERT, aged 73, beloved husband of Angela. Requiem Mass at Church of the Holy Redeemer, Bishopsford, Sidbury, 10.30 a.m., Monday, March 18, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations for Injured Indians Fund.

HODGE.—On March 12, 1985, peacefully, after much suffering, STEPHEN, aged 75, much loved husband of Anne, dear father of Stephen and in Rosemary and for his grandsons of Stephen and Sharon. Funeral Monday, March 18, at 3.30 p.m. at Finchampstead Crematorium. Flowers may be sent to Derlicksoun Prestman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

HORSMAN.—On March 7, suddenly, REGINALD ALFRED, of Chalfont St Peter, beloved husband of Joan, father of Karen and Diana Rey of Brazil and Nora, father-in-law of Tony. Funeral service will take place on Monday, March 18, at Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, at 1 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations to British Heart Foundation, 2, St Nicholas Close, Little Chalfont HP7 9NW.

HUNT.—On March 12, 1985, peacefully in hospital, KATHLEEN, aged 83 years, of Parkstone, Poole, beloved wife of the late William. Inquiries to Poole Funeral Service, tel. 0202 673164.

JARVIS.—On March 9, 1985, at Leicester, lovingly cremated with her Maker, COSTANCE MARGARET JARVIS (née Jackson), aged 80 years, formerly of Potters Bar and Hitchin, faithful wife of the late Morris William and devoted mother to Cedric and Madeline. Funeral service and cremation at Golders Green Crematorium on Wednesday, March 27, at 12.20 p.m. Family flowers only, please. Donations in thanksgiving to the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney, c/o Col. R. E. Blunt, West Hill, London SW15 3SU.

LEDA.—On March 12, suddenly, JOY JEFFRIES (née Butterworth), of 7, South Park Road, Gatley, Cheshire, SK8 7ES, much loved and deeply mourned by husband Neville, children, parents, family and friends. Service at Stockport Crematorium on Friday, March 15, at 4 p.m. Memorial appreciation by Mersey Centre Meeting, Stockport, tel. 061-480 2055.

LANCASTER.—On Wednesday, March 13, 1985, ELLEN, aged 84 years, formerly of Sutton, Stratton Avenue, Newmarket. Funeral service Cambridge City Crematorium on Tuesday, March 19, at 9.30 a.m.

LONSDALE.—On March 11, 1985, THOMAS LEONARD MCKINNON, dearly beloved husband of Blanche, beloved father of Norman, and grandfather of Joanne, Gavin and Emma-Jane. A memorial service to be announced later.

LOTH.—On March 7, 1985, peacefully, JOSEPHINE, of Oakland, Prion Ford, Berkhamsted, widow of Ralph, a very loved mother of J. J. and Peter and grandmama to her grandchildren. Service at Holy Trinity Church, Prion Ford at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, March 15, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired to the Red Cross, Berkhamsted.

MACKAY.—On March 12, 1985, suddenly after a brief illness, JOHN STUART, aged 58 years, of Lanport Grange, Hampton Hospitan, Northampton, elder son of Mr and Mrs STUART MACKAY, of Kettering, husband of Pamela, father of Alison, Jonathan and Lindsey and the late Beth. Funeral service at the Albert Murn Chapel, Kettering Crematorium, on Friday, March 15, at 11.30 a.m. No flowers by request, but if desired, donations for St Matthew's Hospital, Northampton, may be sent to H. J. Phillips & Son, Funeral Director, Ltd, 23, Princes Street, Kettering.

MALAVASI.—On March 13, at the Royal Marsden Hospital, ELDA, aged 62, for 26 years a Indian Domestic Science, beloved wife of Felice and dear mother of Mario, Michele and Maria. Funeral service at the Brompton Oratory, Monday, March 18, at 2 p.m., followed by cremation at Putney Vale Crematorium at 3.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations to the Brompton Oratory or the Royal Marsden.

MARNAU.—On March 9, 1985, TESTA (née Polin-B), wife of Alfred, mother of Corina (Sr Maximilian). Our beloved and unforgettable Testa was visibly in the grace of God throughout her suffering, she has now gone home. Please pray for her dear soul. Requiem Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation in Africa time. Requiem Mass and the immemorial rite tomorrow (Friday, March 15), at 10.30 a.m. at the Church of the Assumption and St Gregory, Warwick Street, London, W.1. Afterwards burial at Highgate Cemetery, Swains Lane, N.6. All inquiries or flowers to A. France & Sons, 45, Lambs Conduit Street, London, W.C.1, tel. 01-405 4901.

MILNE.—On March 13, peacefully in her 97th year, GRACE, widow of James Louis and mother of the late James Malcolm, a much loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Private family cremation.

MURRAY.—On March 11, peacefully in hospital after an illness borne with tremendous courage and dignity, F. HAROLD MURRAY, dear brother of Lil Mirk. Funeral at West Herts Crematorium, Garston, Watford, on Monday, March 18, at 1.30 p.m., no flowers, but donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, P.O. Box 123, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London W.C.2.

NIGGEMANN.—On Wednesday March 13, in hospital, ELVIRA SOPHIA, beloved sister of Anita. Cremation at Golders Green on Monday, March 18, at 2.40 p.m. No flowers, but if desired donations to Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.

ONIONS.—On March 9, 1985, peacefully at Brendoncare, Park Road, Winchester, HANNAH, aged 85. Funeral service at Southampton Crematorium on Tuesday, March 19, at 3.15 p.m. (West Chapel).

OSBORN.—On March 11, 1985, at his home in Gerrards Cross, ANDREW CHARLES OSBORN, O.B.E., aged 74 years. Funeral service will take place on Wednesday, March 20, at St Joseph's R.C. Church, Chalfont St Peter, at 2.30 p.m., followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the Anaemia Trust c/o Mr J. Hubbard, Hospital Admin., Hammersmith Hospital, Du Cane Road, Hammersmith, W.12. Please make cheque payable to Hammersmith and Queen Charlotte's S.H.A.

PARHAM.—On March 11, 1985, at Teignmouth, Devon, DUDLEY BARNETT, late of Thames, Ditton. Cremation has taken place.

PERREBOUM.—On March 11, in hospital, RALPH GEORGE, aged 84 years, beloved husband of the late Elsie and dear father of Tony and family. Service at Newcastle Crematorium on Tuesday, March 19, at 11.30 a.m. Family flowers only, please.

PIPE.—On March 10, 1985, peacefully at Marie Curie Nursing Home, Caterham, A. STELLA POPE, aged 81 of Purley. Funeral service on Tuesday, March 19, at Coulsdon Methodist Church at 10.30 a.m., followed by cremation at Croydon. Donations if Family please, to Marie Curie Nursing Home, Harestone Valley Road, Caterham.

RAMSBOTTOM.—On March 11, suddenly, ERIC DAVID, husband of David, of Wartinghurst, Surrey. Service at St Ambrose R.C. Church, Warlingham, on Monday, March 18, at 1.30 p.m. Donations to Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton, for Cancer Research.

RATCLIFFE.—On March 8, 1985, suddenly, GERTRUDE, aged 87 years, of Watford, Herts Farm, Farnham, dear mother of Sydney and Gordon, widow mother of Norman, late of Manchester, and Morecambe. Service Garston Crematorium, 11.45 a.m., Friday, March 15. Inquiries and flowers J. Longman & Son, King Street, Watford.

RHODES.—On March 10, 1985, peacefully, after a short illness, LOUISE Ashbury, widow of Jonathan and Nicholas, beloved mother of Jonathan and Nicholas. Funeral service at St John's Church, Mansfield, 2.15 p.m., Friday, March 22. Family flowers only. Donations to R.N.L.I., c/o Mrs Bunting, Ramsay Cottage, Edinaley, Mansfield.

RICHES. — On March 13, 1985, peacefully at his home, 1, Ashley Street, Spreyton, Devon, GEORGE ERNEST, dearly loved husband of Jess and dear father of Sheila and Lynda. Funeral service at St Polycarp's, Sticklepath, on Monday, March 18, at 2.15 p.m., followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Cancer Research.

ROBERTS.—On March 13, GLADYS ETHEL, aged 91, late of Burgess Hill, Sussex. Funeral service at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, March 20, at Wood Vale Crematorium, Brighton. Inquiries to Fuller & Scott, the Wakelyns, Copthorne 52141.

ROBERTSON.—On March 12, peacefully at home after a long illness, JOHN DOUGLAS, dear husband of Priscilla and the late Kathleen, father of Jan, Ian, Douglas and Nicholas, loving grandfather, stepfather of Amanda, Christopher, John and Robin. Cremation private. Donations, if desired, to Mayfield Society (Cornwall), c/o Midland Bank, Truro.

ROBINSON.—On March 11, 1985, peacefully at home, ROBERT (Mick) ROBINSON, G.M., M.Inst.C.E., dearly loved husband of Mary, formerly of Minstead. Funeral service at Southampton Crematorium on Friday, March 15, at 9 a.m. No flowers, by request, but donations to the Ryder Foundation, c/o Cyril Lovegrove Ltd, 4, Town Square, Bracknell, Berks.

SANDALL.—On March 12, GLADYS IRENE, aged 86. Requiem 10.30 a.m., March 13, at St Peters Church, East Bexhington, Seaford. Family flowers only.

SMITH.—On March 12, HERBERT, aged 95, of Hemyock, Devon, late Royal Insurance, beloved husband of Eunice, much loved father of